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COMMITTEE OF THIRTEEN DECIDES CONCILIATION HAS FAILED



With other officers of the Japanese superior war council, War Minister Yoshiyuki Kawashima accepted the responsibility for last February's army outbreak in Tokyo, in which the assassination of Cabinet Liberals took place.

BRITISH PROTEST TO ROME DELIBERATE ATTACKS ON RED CROSS RIGHT RESERVED TO DEMAND COMPENSATION

Geneva, To-day.
A strongly worded note by Sir Eric Drummond, British Ambassador in Rome, to the Italian Government on the numerous air attacks on British Red Cross ambulances in Abyssinia was issued yesterday, particularly referring to the attacks on the unit at Quoram on four successive days in March.

Sir Eric Drummond absolutely denies the Italian delegation's allegation that they bombed the ambulance as reprisals for the Red Cross Contingents' firing on the bombing planes. The note says that the British Government, after full investigation, cannot accept the Italian version of the facts, and declares that the principal medical officer's report leaves no doubt with regard to the deliberate attacks.

The British Government regards the bombing as a violation of the International Red Cross Convention and now demands that the Italian Government give a categorical assurance that clear and definite instructions have been issued to the air force in East Africa henceforth to exercise the utmost care not to attack a British Red Cross hospital. The British Government also reserves the right to demand compensation for the damage caused by the deliberate attacks. — Reuter's Bulletin Service.

BALASA PLAIN OCCUPIED BY ITALIANS IMMEDIATE ADVANCE ON CAPITAL

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Asmara, To-day.
In the course of yesterday, the Italian High Command of the northern Army transferred its headquarters to Dessie, and is occupying the building in which formerly the Abyssinian command was housed. A powerful wireless station is being erected alongside the former Imperial Palace.

In the Lake Tsana district, the Italians have occupied the Balasa Plain, the troops having nowhere encountered resistance. — Trans-Ocean Service.

ADVANCE ON CAPITAL

Dessie: An almost immediate advance towards Addis Ababa is envisaged by the hurried arrangements here for the arrival last night of the Italian General Staff. Yesterday the Eritrean army corps and artillery arrived, accompanied by a column of over 100 motor-lorries.

Once the Italian advance towards Addis Ababa begins it is predicted that the capital will be reached in three days. Engineers have been active in the last three days and a powerful radio station already erected in the town is now linked by telephone wherever there is an Italian occupied town. Scouting planes progressing south of Dessie on the Addis Ababa road report that there are no signs of any Abyssinian troop concentrations or planned resistance. Abandoned lorries and scores of untethered mules are all they have located. In the Lake Tsana section the latest reports are that the seventh army corps has occupied the plain of Balasa, to the west of the lake. — Reuter.

BOMBERS VISIT CAPITAL

Addis Ababa: Two Italian bombers flew low over the capital yesterday morning, firing with machine-guns and rifles, but they dropped no bombs. Pamphlets were also dropped asking the population to submit to Italy. The population was less panicky than hitherto. — Reuter's Bulletin Service.

INSURANCE FOR "QUEEN MARY"

Risks Underwritten In London

London, To-day.

Excellent progress is being made with the placing of service risks of the Cunard-White Star liner Queen Mary on the London market, and it is anticipated that some £3,000,000 will be covered. The balance will be borne by the Board of Trade, as provided in the scheme under which the construction of the liner was resumed. The reported premium

is equivalent to a net rate of 25 shillings per £100 for a period of 12 months, and it is pointed out in shipping circles that the willingness of the market to underwrite on such terms is a testimonial to the qualities of the new liner in the estimation of experts. — British Wireless Service.

STAFF TALKS IN LONDON

Conducted With Great Cordiality

London, To-day.
At the conclusion of the Staff talks a French communiqué states that the conversations have been conducted with the greatest cordiality in the framework decided upon by the respective Governments. All other information is to be transmitted through the Military and Naval Attaches. — Reuter.

THE CITY AND SUBURBAN

Rippon Tor's Chance Favoured

DAYTONA HEADS BETTING FOR TWO THOUSAND GUINEAS

London, To-day.
The latest call-over for the City and Suburban, which will be run over a distance of 1 1/4 miles on Wednesday next, is as follows:

Rippon Tor, 4 to 1 and o.
Highlander, 5 to 1 and o.
Finalist, 10 to 1 and o.
Pampus Grass, 10 to 1 and o.
His Reverence, 10 to 1 and o.
Pegomax, 25 to 1 and o.
The latest call-over for the 2,000 Guineas, which will be run on April 2, over a distance of one mile, is as follows:

Daytona, 11 to 2 and o.
Abjer, 6 to 1 and o.
Balahissar, 8 to 1 and o.
St. Mangus, 10 to 1 and o.
Bozwell, 100 to 1 and o.
Pay Up, 100 to 1 and o.
Syndham, 22 to 1 and o.
— Reuter.

RANPURA SAILS FOR MARSEILLES

Gibraltar, to-day. — The Ranpura sailed at 6.55 p.m. yesterday for Marseilles, escorted by the British destroyer Veteran. — Reuter.



Strolling through the garden of her father's estate on the arm of her brother, Prince Frederick, Princess Cecilie, daughter of ex-Crown Prince Wilhelm of Germany, seems as unassuming as the average girl.

STRAITS ZONE REPORTED OCCUPIED

ACTION TAKEN BY TURKEY

Paris, To-day.
Under reserve a Stamboul message states that it is reported from Ankara from a usually well-informed source that the Turkish Government has decided militarily to occupy the demilitarised Straits zone.

UNITED FRONT WITH RUSSIA?

Reports Denied By Responsible Chinese Official

Tokyo, To-day.
A special message to the Asahi from Nanking reports that General Chang Chun has assured the Japanese Consul, Mr. Suma, that China has not recognised the mutual assistance pact between Outer Mongolia and Soviet Russia, and has no intention whatever to put up an united front against Japan with Russia. — Reuter.

DERBY BETTING

Balahissar Heads The List

London, To-day.
The first call-over for the Derby, which will be run at Epsom Downs on May 27, was held yesterday and resulted as follows:

Balahissar, 9 to 1 and o.
Abjer, 10 to 1 and o.
Daytona, 100 to 1 and o.
Pay Up, 100 to 1 and o.
St. Mangus, 100 to 1 and o.
Bozwell, 100 to 1 and o.
Syndham, 40 to 1 and o.
— Reuter.

NO DAMAGE DONE TO RANPURA

London: Divers who have been examining the hull of the P. and O. liner Ranpura, which was refloated late on Thursday night, after being aground on a sandy bottom in Gibraltar Bay since last Tuesday, have found no damage, and the liner resumed her voyage last evening with the cargo of Chinese art treasures homeward bound from the exhibition at Burlington House. — British Wireless Service.

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN GENERAL PASSES

Salzburg, To-day. — The death has occurred of General Giesl von Gieslingen, formerly Austro-Hungarian Minister at Belgrade, who presented Serbia with the ultimatum in July 1914. — Reuter.

WEATHER REPORT

Fair, with moderate north-east winds, is the forecast for to-day, as issued by the Royal Observatory this morning.

Paris, To-day.

The decision is reported to have been taken at a meeting of the Council of Ministers on Wednesday, presided over by Kemal Ataturk.

Ankara, Later: A semi-official Turkish news agency declares that the report that Turkish troops have entered the demilitarised zone is baseless. The agency states that no meeting of the Turkish Cabinet has been held for a week. — Reuter.

RUSSIA'S SUPPORT

Moscow: The Government has informed Turkey of its readiness to participate in the negotiations to bring the status of the Straits into conformity with the interests of the security of Turkey. The note points out that the Soviet has always been of the opinion that Turkish sovereignty over this zone was indispensable for the maintenance of peace there. — Reuter.

BRITAIN'S REPLY

London: The British Government, replying to Turkey's request for the reformation of the Dardanelles, stated that Britain was prepared to enter into discussions through the proper channels and that the Dominion Governments would also be invited to take part in any discussions about the matter. The reply added that the British Government approves Turkey's approach to the question by proposing negotiations.

No confirmation has hitherto been received in London of the Paris report that the Turks have already started the occupation of the demilitarised zone of the Dardanelles. — Reuter's Bulletin Service.

STANDPOINT OF GREECE

Athens: All sections of the Greek press devote considerable space to the question of the Dardanelles, and demand the fortification of the Greek islands of Samos, Samothrace and Lemnos, asserting that Turkey would not object, seeing that Greece is a friendly Power, and would thus ensure the safety of Turkey. It is furthermore stated that Turkey (Continued on Page 12)

FORMER DUTCH PREMIER PASSES

The Hague, To-day. — The death has occurred of Dr. Ruys van Breezenbrouck, former Prime Minister. — Reuter.

TO RETURN MANDATE TO LEAGUE

MOMENTOUS MEETING ON MONDAY

ROME GIVES THREE REASONS WHY PEACE CANNOT BE MADE

Geneva, To-day.
The Committee of Thirteen has decided that conciliation has failed, and recognising this, must now return its mandate to the League. Senor de Madariaga is presenting his report to the Committee of Thirteen to-day and to the Council at 10.30 on Monday. It is expected that the Council meeting will be of extreme gravity. The report of Senor Vasconcellos on the working of sanctions will also be considered by the Council.

Apparently the convening of the Committee of Eighteen has been left to the League Council and will probably be postponed until after the French elections.

Rome: Three difficulties stand in the way of peace:—

(1) The difficulty of stopping the hostilities. It is pointed out that it is virtually impossible to call a halt in the war or of the movements until the winning side has reached a strategic position;

(2) There is no Abyssinian authority with whom the Italians could negotiate, since the Emperor has disappeared;

(3) Italy cannot negotiate under the threat of sanctions.

Paris: On hearing the decision of the Committee of Thirteen, that the endeavours for settling the Abyssinian war must be considered to have failed, the Foreign Minister, M. Flandin, stated his intention to leave for Geneva on Sunday in order to attend the League Council meeting scheduled for Monday. — Trans-Ocean Service.

NEGUS REBUKES LEAGUE

Dilatory Attitude Regarding Sanctions

Addis Ababa, To-day
A rebuke to the League Powers for the delay in enforcing effective sanctions and the demand for immediate measures to end the aggression is contained in a note from the Emperor to the League. It declares that Ethiopia has vainly waited for six months for measures to end the aggression and now has the right to ask if the principle of collective security is a dead letter. Ethiopia is still resolved to expel the aggressor from her territory and invokes, firmly and formally, her League rights. — Reuter.

STATE OF ALARM IN SPAIN

To Be Continued For 30 Days

Madrid, To-day.

The Government has decided to continue the existing state of alarm for 30 days. — Reuter.

Madrid: Over 800 shots were exchanged during desperate street fighting which took place here on Thursday at the funeral of the police officer who was shot by Communists at the fifth anniversary of the foundation of the Spanish Republic.

As the funeral cortege was passing under a building in process of construction in the centre of the city, shots were fired from the scaffolding. The accompanying police returned the shots and a continuous rattle of revolver shots followed.

When the funeral passed on the shooting died down, but began again and again in various parts of the city. About 50 were injured, some so seriously that recovery is doubted. Among the mourners who came under fire was an ex-Minister.

PREMIER'S STATEMENT

Madrid: Premier Azana, speaking in Parliament on Thursday, said that the Government was determined to protect the Government in the present form and not yield to any other form of regime. Speaking of the shootings which had taken place at various times, the Premier declared that these had been deliberately arranged by enemies of the Republic, including the deplorable incident when the funeral of the police officer on Thursday was fired on. — Trans-Ocean Service.

NEW GOVERNMENT APPOINTMENTS

Sir Wm. Shenton's Successors

The following appointments etc. are notified in the Government Gazette:—

The relinquishment of his Local Commission as Lieutenant in the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps by Lieutenant Horace John Croot, M.B., B.S., M.R.C.S. (England), L.R.C.P. (London), with effect from March 30, on his leaving the Colony, has been approved;

The Hon. Mr. John Johnstone Paterson and Mr. Stanley Hudson Dodwell to be Unofficial Members of the Executive and Legislative Councils respectively, vice Sir William Edward Leonard Shenton, resigned, with effect from April 6;

Mr. John Bernard Prentice relinquished duty as Assistant Crown Solicitor on April 9;

Mr. Leonard Starbuck, B.Sc. (London), A.Inst.P., to be a Professional Assistant at the Royal Observatory, with effect from April 1;

Mr. John Pelly Murphy to be a Junior Legal Officer, with effect from April 15, and to act as Deputy Registrar, Supreme Court, and Deputy Registrar of Companies with effect from the same date.

FRANCE + CHINA IN DAVIS CUP

Paris, To-day. — France will meet China in the First Round of the Davis Cup in the European Zone on the first three days in May. — Reuter's Bulletin Service.

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Sarpodon 25

FROM U.S.A.

Apr. Pres. Wilson 24
Emp. of Japan 24

FROM SHANGHAI

Apr. Tsinan 18
Terukuni Maru 23
Asama Maru 24
Bangalore 24
Pres. Wilson 24
Emp. of Japan 24
Pres. Cleveland 27

FROM MANILA

Apr. Tjisalak 27

FROM STRAITS & INDIA

Apr. Hakodate Maru 19
Agapenor 20
Lisbon Maru 24
Behar 24

FROM JAPAN

Apr. La Plata Maru 23
Terukuni Maru 23
Kamo Maru 24
Asama Maru 24
Pres. Wilson 24
Emp. of Japan 24
Mayebashi Maru 27
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FOR EUROPE

Apr. Conte Verde (K.L.M. Service) 18
Closes: Reg. 9 a.m. Ord. 9.30 a.m.
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Closes: Reg. 9.45 a.m. Ord. 10.30 a.m.

Potsdam (via Siberia) 20
Marchal Joffre (Air Orient Service) 21
Closes: Reg. 9 a.m. Ord. 9.30 a.m.
Tatsuta Maru (via Siberia) 21
Closes: Reg. 5 p.m. Ord. 8.30 a.m.
Menestheus (via Marseilles) 22
Closes: Reg. 9.45 a.m. Ord. 10.30 a.m.

FOR SHANGHAI

Apr. Pres. Hoover 18
Potsdam 20
Tatsuta Maru 21

FOR JAPAN

Apr. Conte Verde 18
Pres. Hoover 18
Potsdam 20
Tatsuta Maru 21
Talthybius 23

FOR MANILA

Apr. Pres. Grant 18
Change 21

FOR U.S.A.

Apr. Pres. Hoover 18
Tatsuta Maru 21
Talthybius 23

FOR STRAITS AND INDIA

Apr. Naldera 18
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Menestheus 22
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FOR AUSTRALIA

Apr. Change 21



Leaving the Trenton penitentiary after a visit to her condemned husband, Mrs. Bruno Richard Hauptmann smiles on her little son Manfred, as cameramen take a photograph of the two through the car window.



Douglas Fairbanks and Lady Ashley are shown in Paris just before they made all rumours come true by marrying at the French capital, with the United States Ambassador Jesse Straus acting as best man.



As the ruins of two famous churches in Madrid still smouldered after Leftist riots, further Marxist demonstrations were prohibited. Jose Antonio Primo de Rivera, son of the former Dictator, was placed under arrest with eight directors of the Fascist organisation which he leads.



Lincoln Ellsworth, Antarctic flyer rescued from the ice of Little America with his pilot, Herbert Hollick-Kenyon, is snapped aboard the rescue ship "Discovery III" after being taken aboard in the Bay of Whales. Ellsworth and his companions were believed lost in the icy wastes when their radio failed.



Several hundred eager-eyed spectators at Newark airport were disappointed when Miss Tanya Cubitt, said to be a candidate for queen of a nudist colony, stepped from an aeroplane from the west fully clothed. Miss Cubitt was scheduled to arrive wearing nothing but a smile.



Following His Majesty King Edward's request to the House of Commons to keep in mind the possibility of his marriage in making up the royal civil list, rumours are again circulating that Princess Eugenie of Greece may be England's new Queen. She is a cousin of Princess Marina, wife of King Edward's brother, Prince George.



Here is one of the first of the coming season's bathing fashions. It is worn by Betty Furness, the screen star, and is made in maroon and white checks. The straps of maroon shade are tied in two small bows in front.



Luis Carlos Prestes, leader of the Brazilian Communists, is shown in a new picture, snapped after he was taken into custody by the Rio de Janeiro police. Prestes led the Brazilian revolution last November.



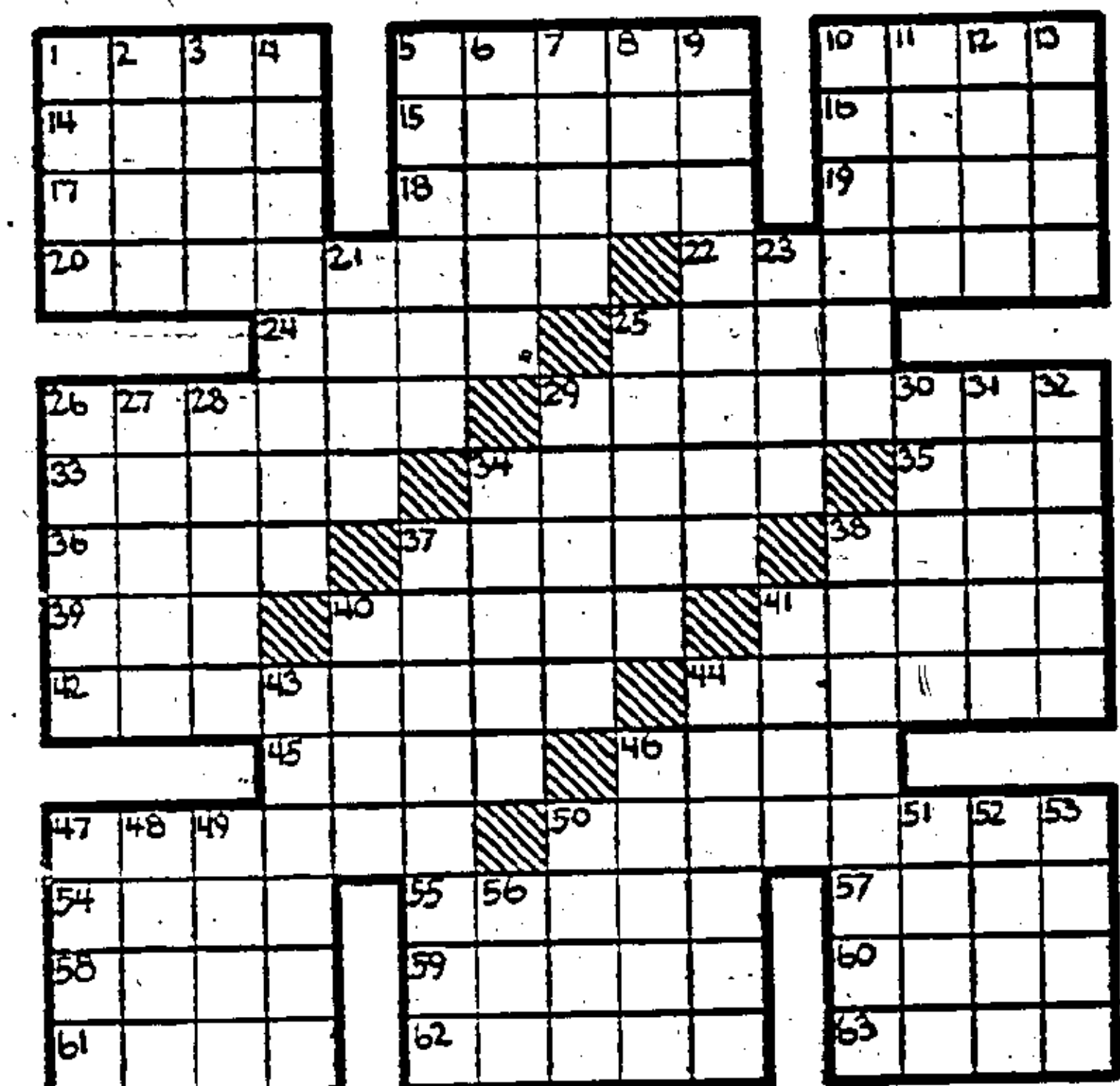
Mrs. Oliver Harriman, New York society woman, makes an appeal before a New York State Senate Committee hearing at Albany, asking for a State referendum on the question of validating lotteries. Mrs. Harriman is president of the National Conference for Legalising Lotteries.

For the first Spring days Madge Evans, the screen actress, has this two-piece knitted sports dress of light yellow. The dress features a knitted scarf of yellow, blue and green.

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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL

1-Epochs
5-Greek letter
10-Girl's name
14-Mature
15-Sarcar
16-Wither
17-River in Germany
18-In a row
19-Principle (abbr.)
20-Having a soothing tendency
22-Being at ease
24-Entrance
25-A color
26-Brolls
27-A signifying
32-Merely animal
35-Likewise not
36-Capital of Norway
37-Appearing as if gnawed
38-Portico (Gr. Arch.)
39-Content
40-Mean, cowardly person
41-A game
42-Registered
44-Divides
45-Recompensed
46-Wither

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

47-Confections
50-Meddlesome horses
54-Persia
55-Lukewarm
57-Equal
58-Ascend
59-Run away and marry
60-One of Columbus' ships
61-Seed (Simp. Spell.)
62-Reckoned time
63-Strike with the open hand

VERTICAL

1-Greek god of love
2-Traveler in a vehicle
3-Initiated
4-A harem
5-Distinguishing features
6-Divide into two equal parts
7-Large lake
8-Half a score
9-Marked off into areolae
10-Discovered

VERTICAL (Cont.)

11-Roman emperor
12-Part of the eye
13-A dell
21-Seaport
23-Melody
25-Rude
26-A group of trees
27-Rosin
28-Slicker
29-Having width
30-Bury
31-To ensnare
32-To graze
34-Raise
37-Enrolled
38-Makes keener
40-Narrow strip of wood
41-Lad
42-Unfastened
44-Removed the seeds
45-A stalk
47-A title (pl.)
48-Court order
49-Comfort
50-Speak
51-Wrong doing
52-Girl's name
53-Break suddenly
56-Note in Guido's scale

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in Monday's issue

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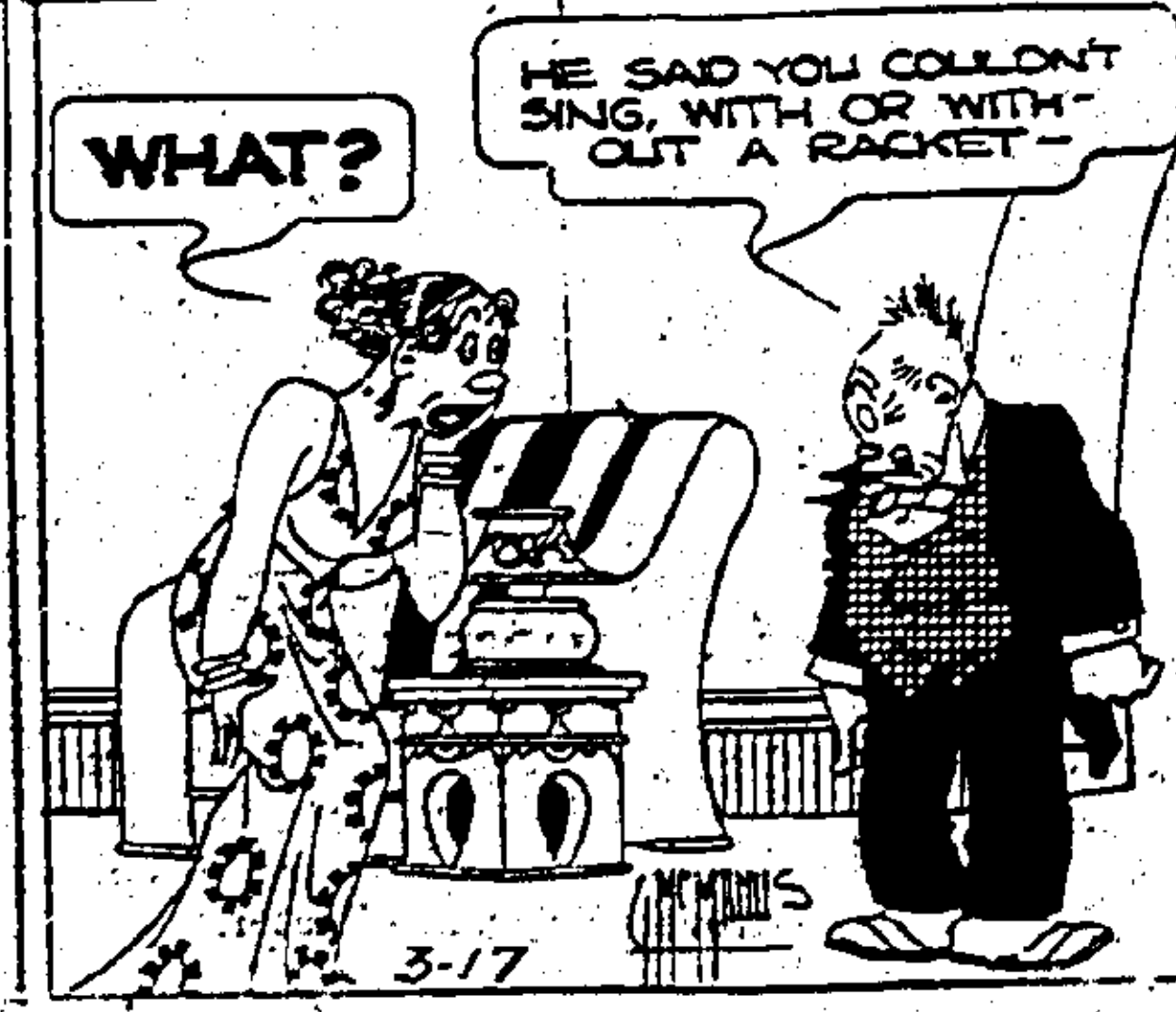
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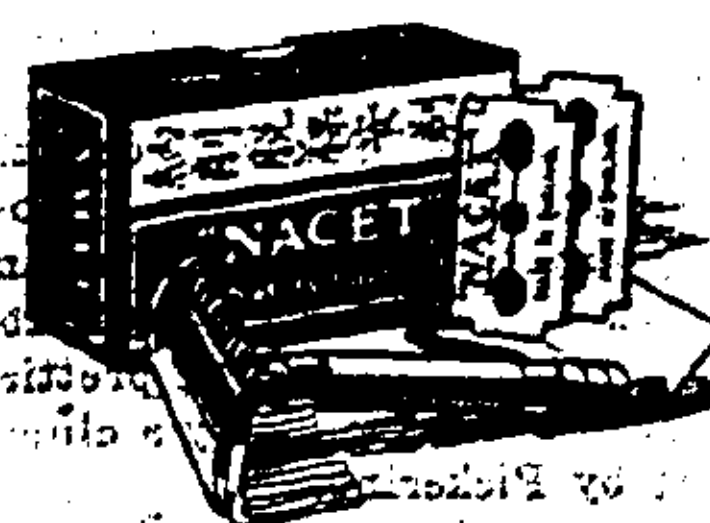
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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 16th April to the 22nd April, 1936, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

H. DA LUZ,

Secretary.

Hong Kong 8th April, 1936.

(Continued from Next Column)
acted by James Cagney, with Joan Blondell playing the part of a woman of the streets, who is about to put her past behind her and marry a Portuguese fisherman when she becomes infatuated with this rogue with a magnetic personality.

Cagney, the arch villain, is about to double-cross the girl when members of the gang on whom he squealed catch up with him, and he does the one decent act of his life by going to his death without involving her.

Victor Jory has the role of the fisherman lover, while Frank Craven, Russell Hopton, Ralfe Harold, Sarah Padden, John Qualen, George Chandler and Samuel E. Hines are all featured in this film.

"BRIGHT LIGHTS"—MAJESTIC THEATRE

Joe E. Brown, whose mouth is certainly his fortune, has the most ambitious role of his career in this film. It is a first time it will provide you with more laughs than you have enjoyed for a long time. Naturally Joe E. is the comedian, but there are acrobats and adagio dancers, and a beautiful chorus of 100 girls.

For the first time you will have the pleasure of hearing Joe sing—and watch him dance. Among those present are beautiful Ann Dvorak (in a singing role), William Gargan, Patricia Ellis, Joe Cawthorn and The Five Maxellos.

"ROSE OF THE RANCHO"—ORIENTAL THEATRE

The story of "Rose of the Rancho" a beautiful, high-spirited Spanish girl who led her people against the rapacious American land-grabbers in the first years of California's Statehood has thrilled motion picture and stage audiences alike for more than 20 years.

Now for the first time this dashing romance of old Monterey comes to the screen with a musical score, with Gladys Swarthout, brilliant star of the Metropolitan opera, and John Boles, handsome dramatic singer, in the leading roles.

Music, however, was not blended with the drama of the Spanish Dons until its revival for Miss Swarthout and Boles, with Charles Bickford, H. B. Warner, Willie Howard, Herb Williams, Grace Bradley and others in the cast.

Miss Swarthout undertakes a dual role in the picture. She is cast as the heroine, "Rose," and as "Don Carlos," who rides a great white horse in nightly sorties against the unscrupulous Americans who are seeking to wrest the great estates from the Spanish Dons. She sings five songs and one duet with Boles, and performs the intricate "Samborero" dance as the story unfolds.

Amusements

Cinema Notes

"ROSE MARIE"—KING'S AND ALHAMBRA THEATRES

This musical classic features Jeannette MacDonald and Nelson Eddy in the principal parts and the singing of these two makes this picture one of the outstanding productions of the year.

The "Indian Love Call" one of the most beautiful melodic themes ever written and based on an actual Indian strain, was sung in a canyon with unique echo effects that make each note almost a chord. The natural echoes were considered in working out a special orchestration for the song, which is sung by Jeannette MacDonald and Nelson Eddy, the co-stars in the picture.

In another number, the springy "Pardon Me, Madame," a lilting musical flirtation song sung by Miss MacDonald and a male chorus, the number was literally made a one-song musical comedy. Miss MacDonald sings the melody, composed after the French opera-bouffe manner, in a hotel suite.

The stirring "Song of the Mountains," which Nelson Eddy sings, is sung on horseback, with the baritone as a sergeant of the mounted police at the head of his column, in a mountain canyon. Nelson Eddy's song, "Rose Marie," "I Love You," is also sung against the panorama of the Sierras.

Aside from the music of the original stage production, two grand opera arias are sung by Miss MacDonald in sequences showing her as an opera star, at the opening and close of the picture. These two were specially adapted by Stothart.

"BROADWAY HOSTESS"—QUEEN'S THEATRE

The story treats of life on the Great White Way, particularly the night clubs and the palatial gambling halls. It is the story of a little country girl who goes to the big city to make good in theatrical work.

She finds it a tough job to crash Broadway, until she meets a big gambler, who puts her over in a big way and makes her the toast of the bright light district.

Comedy and thrills follow in quick succession until a smashing climax in which the gambler is slain by the brother of the woman he loves.

Winifred Shaw, musical comedy star, has the role of the country girl who sings her way to fame. Phil Regan is her assistant and Lyle Talbot is the gambler. Genevieve Tobin is the society girl Talbot loves.

Miss Shaw, besides playing the leading role, sings three songs by herself and one with Regan. Phil Regan also sings alone. The music and lyrics were specially written for the picture by Wrubal and Dixon.

Two spectacles were created and staged by Bob Connolly, in which scores of beautiful dancers appear.

Others in the cast include Allen Jenkins, Marie Wilson, Spring Byington, Joseph King, Donald Ross, Frank Dawson and Harry.

"HERE COMES COOKIE"—ORIENTAL THEATRE

In this picture George Burns and Gracie Allen provide all the laughter and hilarious situations in a story that deals with Gracie's experiences when she is given a free rein over her father's vast estate.

George Barbier, anxious to ward off the attentions of a gigolo on his daughter Betty, has his family lawyer, Burns, make over his wealth to Gracie and then goes for a holiday. With a fortune at her command Gracie almost drives Burns insane with her reckless spending.

The climax is reached when she stages a show and turns her entire house into a theatre, and there produces a ludicrous play and ends it by a scene from Romeo and Juliet in which she takes a part herself.

"HE WAS HER MAN"—STAR THEATRE

Here is a highly dramatic story of a thoroughly unscrupulous underworld character who has a way with women and takes his love where he finds it. The role is en-

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BRIDGE NOTES

British Bridge

By Ely Culbertson

With more sorrow than anger I quote from a recent article in a bridge magazine published in England: "One more, example should suffice to settle once and for all time the superiority of British bridge over the American variety."

Now, I have nothing but the kindest feelings toward my British contemporaries. But may I be permitted to remark, apropos of the above, that it is just a "bit thick?"

They are permitted, of course, to ignore the trivial fact that American teams have defeated British teams in every important match so far played. [Perhaps it is unreporting of me even to mention this.] But I really must object, quite mildly and without rancour, to an opinion such as the above when it is based on arrant ignorance.

The "first example" used by the British authority was this:

WEST EAST
S—K 8 7 S—A Q 10
H—A Q 9 2 H—J 10
D—K 10 9 D—A J 7 6 2
C—K 8 7 C—K 5 4

Again I quote: "They threw this hand in! They were playing 'Culbertson'... they were vulnerable, which meant that 'Culbertson' caused us to gain 660 points."

Now, really! Is this malicious, or merely naive? Does our critic actually believe that any bridge player in America would fail to bid the East hand, or that more than a handful would pass the West?

The "one more example" previously referred to was this gem:

S. K Q 10 9
H. 10
D. 10 8 4 3 2
C. A J 7
S. 7
H. J 7 6 4 3 2
D. 9
C. K Q 8 6 5
S. A 8 4
H. A K 9
D. K Q J 7 5
C. 10 9

He writes: "East-West were vulnerable and West dealt. At our table the bidding went:

West North East South
Pass 1 D Pass 5 D

"There is a certain directness here which I find pleasing."

"At another table, where American hush-hush tactics held sway, the bidding was:

West North East South
Pass 1 S 2H Double

"Of course, East could not fail to make two hearts. The swing in our favour against that particular N-S. was, therefore, 1,020 points."

"And so on! I could give a score of examples of this character, but I feel that the case is finally proved."

Perhaps the same "American method" user who passed the East hand in the first example bid one spade on the North hand in the second. The hand is, of course, a "pass" in any American system I know, but even so, if it were opened as a semi-psychic, the proper bid would be one diamond. Moreover, a double of two hearts should be promptly "taken out" by North, since he bid on less than minimum honour trick requirement.

Aside from these trifling discrepancies my British friend's case is "finally proved."

(Radio will be found on Page 10).

NEW BRITISH
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"UNIVERSAL'S" ASSETS BEING
TAKEN OVER

Details of the big film deal, by which an English group has acquired the Universal Picture Corporation's English interests and a large holding in Universal's Hollywood assets, were revealed last month by Lord Portal, head of the negotiating syndicate.

A private holding company with a capital of £1,225,000 is being formed to acquire the Universal Corporation's assets, now owned by Lord Portal and his syndicate. Mr. C. M. Woolf and Mr. Herbert Wilcox become directors of the Universal Picture Corporation

of America, while Mr. J. Arthur Rank and Mr. L. W. Farrow are to be directors of the English company. Mr. C. M. Woolf and Mr. Herbert Wilcox become directors of the Universal Picture Corporation

Exchange Of Stars
Mr. Frank Ditcham, the present

manager of the Universal Corporation in this country, will be reorganised Universal's Hollywood output. With Mr. Wilcox as liaison executive, there will be an interchange of stars, writers and supervisors of production at the

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Sporting Page

TSUI WAI-PUI BEATS HOLDER IN STRAIGHT SETS TO ENTER FINAL

ARMY BOXERS GIVE FINE DISPLAY

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS DECIDED

HIGH STANDARD MAINTAINED

THE Hong Kong Area Boxing Week was brought to a very successful conclusion at Murray Barracks last night when the finals of the Novices and Open championships were decided, and when the large number of boxing enthusiasts who turned up to watch the fights were rewarded with boxing of a very high standard.

His Excellency the General Officer Commanding, Major-General A. W. Bartholomew, was an interested spectator throughout the entire programme, and at the conclusion of the contests, Col. H. C. Harrison, G.S.O.I., made a short speech in the course of which he thanked everybody concerned for having made the meeting such a success, and congratulated the boxers on their fine display.

Dealing with the actual boxing itself, the best fight of the evening was undoubtedly that between Pte. Whitehouse (East Lanes.) and L/Cpl. Powell (Fusiliers) in the lightweight division when Powell was given the verdict after three rounds of hard fighting.

VOLUNTEER SPORTS

Keen Competition This Afternoon

MILE EVENT OPEN TO COLONY

The ninth annual athletic meeting of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps will be held at Sookunpo today afternoon, commencing at 2.30 p.m.

All the events will be held on a team basis, and keen competition is assured for the Commandant's Challenge Cup, for the purpose of which the Corps has been divided as follows:—Infantry, Static Machine Gun Company, Mobile Machine Gun Company, Coastal Defence, Corps Signals and Medical Section and Reserve Company.

Last year the Infantry and the Mobile Machine Guns tied for first place with 34 points each, while the Static Machine Guns were second with 19 points.

At the conclusion of the sports the prizes will be distributed by Mrs. A. W. Bartholomew, wife of His Excellency the General Officer Commanding.

The following is the complete programme:—

- *High Jump.
- *Putting The Shot.
- *440 Yards Relay. (4 Men).
- *1½ Mile Relay. (4 Men).
- Egg and Spoon Race (Nurses).
- Open Mile.
- *Long Jump.
- *Half Mile Relay (team of 4).
- *Hurdles Relay (team of 4).
- Officers v. Sergeants.
- Band Race.
- *Tug-of-war.

* These events to count towards the Commandant's Challenge Cup. The following events have already been decided:—

- High Jump:—
- 1. Corps Infantry (6 points).
- 2. Static Machine Guns (4 points).
- 3. Coastal Defence (3 points).

Best Individual Jump: A. Husain (Coastal Defence) 3 ft. 3 ins.

- Putting The Shot:—
- 1. Static Machine Guns (5 points).
- 2. Corps Infantry (4 points).
- 3. Coastal Defence (3 points).

Best Individual Put: J. J. Ferguson (S. M. G.), 34 ft. 3½ ins.

L/Cpl. Whelan (Rifles), showed that he was a first class boxer when he beat Fus. Owens in the featherweight final, the feature of this bout being the excellent footwork of the winner, who also showed an almost uncanny anticipation in countering his opponent's punches.

In the Novices' heavyweight final, Pte. Smart, R.A.M.C., had the misfortune to dislocate his left shoulder in the first round against Pte. Hammsworth, East Lanes., the fight consequently being awarded to the latter.

Detailed results of the fights are given below:—

NOVICES CHAMPIONSHIP

Flyweight
Pte. Townsend (East Lanes.) Winner.
Bantamweight
Fus. Taylor (Fusiliers) beat Pte. Walsh (East Lanes.).

Featherweight
Pte. Williams (East Lanes.) beat Fus. Raven (Fusiliers).

Lightweight
Pte. Burns (East Lanes.) beat Fus. Ryan (Fusiliers).

Welterweight
Fus. Harrison (Fusiliers) beat L/C. Roberts (Fusiliers).

Middleweight
Fus. Edwards (Fusiliers) beat Rtn. Reid (Rifles).

Light Heavyweight
Pte. Carroll (East Lanes.) beat Gnr. Martin (Artillery).

Heavyweight
Pte. Hammsworth (East Lanes.) beat Pte. Smart (Medical).
Fight stopped in the first Round.

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Flyweight
Rtn. Grahame (Rifles) beat L/Cpl. Hall (Fusiliers).

Bantamweight
Fus. Fisher (Fusiliers) beat Pte. Bennett (East Lanes.).

Featherweight
L/Cpl. Whelan (Rifles) beat Fus. Owens (Fusiliers).

Middleweight
L/Cpl. Quinlan (Rifles) beat Cpl. Weaver (Fusiliers).

Light Heavyweight
Cpl. Henderson (Rifles) beat Rtn. Gallagher (Rifles).

Lightweight
L/Cpl. Powell (Fusiliers) beat Pte. Whitehouse (East Lanes.).

Welterweight
Pte. Neilson (East Lanes.) beat Fus. Morgan (Fusiliers).

Heavyweight
Pte. Green (East Lanes.) winner.



The Chinese Olympic soccer team which defeated the United Services by four clear goals on Thursday last at Caroline Hill. Left to right (Back Row): S. D. Liang, Tsui Ah-fai, Pau Ka-ping, Chua Boon Lay, Lee Tin-sang, Darkie Chan. Front Row: K. L. Kiu, Suen Kam-shun, Fung King-cheong, Cheuk Shek-kam and Tay Quee-liang. ("China Mail" photo).



INTER-UNIT CRICKET

EAST LANCS. WIN COMPETITION

COL. KIRKE AND LT. WILLIAMS IN GOOD FORM

The East Lanes. won the Inter-Unit cricket competition yesterday, when they beat the Royal Engineers in the final at the Kowloon Cricket Club by 3 wickets.

At the close of play on the first day (Thursday), the Sappers were 29 runs ahead with 7 wickets in hand. Resuming their innings yesterday, they took their total to 188, thus setting the East Lanes. the task of scoring 171 to win, and despite a none too impressive start, the latter managed to do this with 3 wickets to spare.

Features of yesterday's play were the fine knocks by Col. Kirke, who hit nine boundaries in his 76 not out, and Lt. J. P. Williams, whose 67 included 10 boundary hits.

Scores were as follows:—

R. E. 1st Innings 90
East Lanes. 1st Innings 108

R. E. 2nd Innings 40
S/Sergt. Collins, c. Herbert, b. Elvin 2

Sergt. Daniels, b. Whitehead 2
Q. M. S. Moreton, c. Elvin, b. Cox 2

Lt. Kirke, not out 76
Col. Kirke, not out 67

Lt. Kirke, b. Cox 12
Cox 12

Capt. Foley, c. Dawson, b. Elvin 8
Cox 8

Sergt. Eaton, c. Botting, b. Elvin 3
Srgt. Bradford, c. Botting, b. Cox 3

Srgt. Beale, b. Elvin 11
Extras (B. 9, L. B. 1) 10

Total 188

Bowling Analysis

Whitehead 3 0 15 1
Cox 20 1 64 4

Elvin 21 2 63 4
Murphy 4 3 6 0

Baker 5 1 24 0
Botting 2 0 6 0

East Lanes. 2nd Innings

L/Cpl. Goldworthy, c. Eaton, b. Barron 0
C. S. M. J. Elvin, b. Shipp 67

Lt. J. P. Williams, b. Eaton 45
Lt. E. M. Dawson, lbw, b. Beale 33

Lt. K. W. B. Murphy, not out 14
Eden, c. Kirke, b. Beale 8

L/Cpl. Whitehead, c. Daniels, b. Eaton 1
Eden, c. Cox, c. Collins, b. Eaton 14

Eden, not out 17
Extras (B. 5, L. B. 5) 10

Total (for 7 wks.) 176
Pte. Baker and Pte. Herbert, did not bat.

Bowling Analysis

Barron 2 0 35 1
Shipp 14 3 53 1

GOLF NOTES

(By "NIBLICK")

GOOD Friday saw the Kowloon Golf Club team emerge victorious from their bi-annual match with the Valleyites. 'Twas a convivial day indeed, and an additional sparkle was added by the recounting (in the Scribe's inimitable style) of the sequel to the adventures of A. O. Brown's galasses (interpretation for the uninitiated-braces!)

The result of the match was unexpected as a totalling of handicaps for either side pointed to a close match with the odds slightly favouring Kowloon by reason of the venue. The failure of the Valley has been attributed (sorto voce) to the damp atmosphere prevalent before reaching the first tee—be that as it may, it was a goodly day and to quote the word of a prominent Valleyite—hie!

STABLEFORD

W. Kershaw received the major end of the Easter Fool with a Stableford score of 33½ points. T. Henderson being a good second with a quarter of a point less.

An entry of 42 proved the popularity of this competition which is excellent considering that Good Friday was fully booked for the Inter-Club match.

VARIETY THE SPICE OF LIFE

BOGEY pools, eclectics and Stablefords enjoy a considerable amount of popularity in the realm of competitive golf, but why has the one club competition been squeezed out to the limbo of the past?

The feats that Harry Vardon could do with a mid iron were remarkable, and to the ordinary player to-day a one club match would at any rate show how the 'old timers' managed without a range of clubs from No. 1 to No. 10.

OVERHEARD AT THE NINETEENTH

"..... if he played golf with new laid eggs it would cost him anything."

"..... that caddy would make an excellent golfer, he's lost three balls and not lifted his head once."

"..... we've half a dozen really finished golfers and several dozen in the rough."

"..... he doesn't need to know Colonel Bogey he ought to be on comfortably in straight sets. 'H. D.' is considerably slower on the court than 'S. A.' and if Tsui

INSPIRED DISPLAY AT H.K.C.C.

SIRDAR RUMJAHN BADLY OUTCLASSED

WINNER'S PERFECT PLACEMENTS AND SUPERB COURT-CRAFT

(By "Base-Line")

PLAYING inspired tennis, Tsui Wai-pui took a big stride towards regaining the Colony Lawn Tennis Singles title he won in 1934 when he beat Sirdar Rumjahn, the holder, by scores of 6-1, 6-1, 7-5 in the Semi-Final Round yesterday before a large crowd at the H.K.C.C.

It is many years since Rumjahn suffered such an eclipse and it is a long time since he revealed as poor form as he displayed yesterday. Be that as it may, it would have taken a much better player than any at present resident in the Colony to have beaten Tsui. Starting the match with full confidence, he swept the champion off his feet with perfect placements and superb court-craft, at times actually toying with an opponent who fought back gamely to the last stroke.

Rumjahn made the mistake of attacking Tsui's backhand, which, curiously enough, won for Tsui quite 90 per cent. of his points. Heavily cut and of low trajectory, it was the match-winning shot—not once did Tsui bring off an aggressive forehand shot, merely being content to await an opening on his steadier backhand. His forehand, like his backhand, however, was always under perfect control and Rumjahn was seldom successful at the net. I, however, feel that had Rumjahn concentrated more on Tsui's forehand he would have done considerably better. Tsui, for his part, played for unusually long spells on his opponent's forehand!

On the day's play it is difficult to draw comparisons as Tsui was obviously master of the situation from the very start, despite Rumjahn's late recovery, when he secured four games in a row for a 5-4 lead and actually held a set point. Rumjahn, however, was more convincing overhead; Tsui badly lacking aggressiveness—in the final set he allowed Rumjahn to save five match points as the result of what seemed to me senseless cautiousness overhead at entirely the wrong moment.

One of the main factors which contributed to Rumjahn's downfall was Tsui's clever drop shot, which forced the champion to the net only to be sent back to the base-line as the result of a perfect job. This tactic, which was freely exploited, rattled Rumjahn more than anything else.

Unavailing Net Attack

Rumjahn strove hard to secure an advantage at the net, but Tsui's passing shots were in perfect order and he secured comparatively few points as the result of his many voluntary assaults to the net, mostly as the result of lobbing by Tsui which lacked depth.

The match was a much closer one than the score might suggest, many games being won by Tsui after he had been 40-love down. Rumjahn also made some magnificent recoveries and never at any time was the match uninteresting. In fact, it was the best seen in the 1936 series.

It is obviously not Sirdar's year—he lost his proud doubles record, also to Tsui, and yesterday he lost his singles crown to the same player after very nearly being beaten by J. Tavares and Paul Kong in earlier rounds—but he went down gloriously, his cheerful smile never deserting him.

Rumjahn's Open Record

1926—Runner-up to T. Honda.
1927—Won from Ng Sze-kwong.
1928—Runner-up to T. Honda.
1929—Runner-up to M. W. Lo.
1932—Won from E. C. Fincher.
1933—Won from J. A. E. Casumbhoy.
1935—Won from G. R. M. Bicketa.

1925-35—Won the Doubles with his cousin H. D. Rumjahn. On Monday next Tsui Wai-pui will meet H. D. Rumjahn in the Final Round, and if he maintains his present form, he should win comfortably in straight sets. 'H. D.' is considerably slower on the court than 'S. A.' and if Tsui



Sirdar Rumjahn, above, lost his Colony Lawn Tennis Singles title yesterday when he was beaten 6-1, 6-1, 7-5 by Tsui Wai-pui, the 1934 champion.

SOUTH CHINA "A" VIRTUALLY WIN SENIOR TITLE

SHARE POINTS WITH RIFLES

VERY POOR GAME AT CAROLINE HILL

(By "REFEREE")

South China "A" virtually won the First Division soccer championship yesterday when they shared two goals with the Rifles which was devoid of interest and in a very poor football match which made one wonder regarding the chances of an Olympic team which could only manage to secure one point against a much inferior side.

Play was listless throughout and the Chinese team made very few efforts to go ahead, with the exception of Lee Wai-tong and Tio Hian-gwan, who strove hard for the winning goal in the closing minutes, only to come up against a brick wall in the Rifles' splendid defence.

The Chinese backs were good, Tam being very useful throughout although Lee Tin-sang was obviously feeling the strain of playing in too many consecutive games. Lee Kwok-wai was the pick of the champions' intermediate line and time and again saved his charge from falling, his neat interceptions and positioning playing havoc with the soldier's distribution.

Superiority Complex

Wong Mei-shun had very little interest in the game other than to barge his way through a crowd of players, while Leung Wing-chiu evidently did not think the encounter important enough to put his heart and soul into the game. Tso Kwai-shing worked hard on the right-wing, but also did not produce his best form, while Tio Hian-gwan, although working hard for the winning goal in the closing minutes, gave a miserable display earlier on, ruining several promising movements through careless passing.

Fung was right off form in the leader's berth, while the same can be said of Ip Pak-wa, on the left-wing. Lee Wai-tong, however, played a true captain's game and made use of every available opportunity, but his prettiest movement was spoiled by a clumsy effort by Pickering.

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FIRST DIVISION

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
S. China "A"	25	18	5	2	73	27	38
Athletic	24	13	4	7	43	25	34
S. China "B"	22	10	4	8	43	22	28
Police	21	11	4	6	57	29	28
Club	20	12	5	3	51	28	27
Fusiliers	22	10	5	7	48	26	27
Navy	22	13	9	0	61	49	26
Rifles	22	8	6	8	44	32	24
Recreio	22	7	11	4	33	18	18
St. Joseph's	24	8	14	2	42	71	18
Kowloon	19	8	9	2	39	18	18
R.A. (Lyman)	22	2	18	2	28	69	6
R.A. (S'lers)	24	1	20	3	16	95	6

Totals 306 125 125 56 613 613 306

CIVILIAN SOCCER "DERBY" TO-DAY'S CLASSIC

Newcomer To Play For Club

S. CHINA "B" MEET POLICE

(By "ROVER")

There is an interesting League Football programme this week-end and the outstanding features of which are the Exhibition games to-morrow between the Chinese Olympic teams and teams from the Association, which take place at Caroline Hill commencing at 4 p.m.

This afternoon South China "B" entertain the Police in the First Division and some exciting play is likely to be witnessed. South

ROVER'S FORECAST TO-DAY

FIRST DIVISION
South China "B" v. POLICE (Caroline Hill, 4.45 p.m.)

Kowloon v. CLUB
(Kowloon, 4.45 p.m.)

Rifles v. ATHLETIC
(Sookunpo, 4.45 p.m.)

Stonewallers (R.A.) v. FUSILIERS
(Prince Edward Rd., 4.45 p.m.)

Lyman (R.A.) v. EAST LANCS.
(Causeway Bay, 4.45 p.m.)

SECOND DIVISION
Kowloon (Club, 3.15 p.m.)

Club (Club, 4.45 p.m.)

Athletic (Caroline Hill, 3.15 p.m.)

SOUTH CHINA v. Engineers
(Sookunpo, 3.15 p.m.)

TO-MORROW
STONEWALL CUP CHARITY COMPETITION—(Final)

Army v. NAVY (Kowloon, 4.15 p.m.)

EXHIBITION GAMES
Rest of the Colony "A" team v. CHINESE OLYMPIC TEAM (Caroline Hill, 4.00 p.m.)

REST OF THE COLONY "B" TEAM
v. Chinese Olympic team. (Caroline Hill, 5.15 p.m.)

strikes his length early in the match "H. D." is likely to be a very tired player before the end of the match.

CLUB RESULTS
The following were yesterday's results in the H.K.C.C. tournament.

Club Handicap Singles
H. J. Armstrong (—5/6) beat A. C. I. Bowker (scr.) 6-2, 6-3. (Fourth Round).

W. A. S. Grant (—15/2) beat W. P. Lucy (—3/6) 6-4, 6-3. (Semi-Final).

POPULAR FAVOURITES
COLUMBIA

- C 205.—Pourquoi Rever Lucienne Boyer.
Mais Si Tu Pars.
- C 222.—Sous Le Ciel D'Afrique Josephine Baker.
Espabilite
- C 227.—The Music goes round and round. E.B.C. Dance Orch.
The Broken record.
- C 226.—The Lady in red Midnight Melody Boys.
Muchacha.
- C 225.—None but the weary heart. Albert Sandler & Orch.
Hassan Serenade.
- C 211.—Blue Danube waltz Debroy Somers Band.
Vienna Blood.
- C 204.—Samson love song Andy Iona and Islanders.
Nohes I Muolau Lani.
- C 225.—Who's Who at Whipsnade Animal Entertainers.
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CANZONERI AVENGES TWO
FORMER DEFEATSJohnny Jadick Takes
The Count

New York, April 9.—Avenge two previous defeats, Tony Canzoneri, ex-champion of three divisions, to-night scored a decisive victory over Johnny Jadick, a Philadelphia Ukrainian.

Canzoneri, who formerly held the world's lightweight, featherweight, and junior welterweight titles, knocked Jadick to the floor twice, once in the eighth round and once in the tenth and final round. He won the unanimous vote of the judges. Canzoneri weighed in at 136½ pounds, while Jadick, who also once held the junior welterweight crown, tipped the beam at 140½.—United Press.



Funk King-cheong, above, is the probable centre-forward in the All-China football team at the Berlin Olympic Games.

SAINTS LOSE AT
BADMINTONEliot Hall Juniors
Secure Points

St. Andrew's "A" team completed their fixtures in the Men's Doubles Badminton League last night, when they were defeated by 8 games to 1 by Recreio seniors at King's Park.

After an absence of almost a month, Eliot Hall juniors were seen in action at St. John's Cathedral Hall, where they beat St. John's Club by 7 games to 2.

Detailed results of the two matches were as follows:—

At the Cathedral Hall last night, Eliot Hall "B" beat St. John's Club by 7 games to 2:—

J. Bennett and F. H. Kwok (St. John's) beat B. K. Ng and A. K. Phang 21-7

lost to P. E. Tan and W. M. Cheung 19-24

lost to C. H. Soon and S. P. Chan 9-21

Roland Koh and Norman Smith (St. John's) beat Ng and Phang 21-5

lost to Tan and Cheung 18-21

lost to Soon and Chan 11-21

David Kwok and G. Ladd (St. John's) lost to Ng and Phang 9-21

lost to Tan and Cheung 16-21

lost to Soon and Chan 6-21

Recreio "A" Win

At King's Park last night, Recreio "A" beat St. Andrew's "A" by 8 games to 1:—

M. A. Oliveira and J. J. Remedios (Recreio "A") beat M. Weill and A. S. Bliss 21-2

beat E. F. Fincher and H. Kew 21-2

beat S. V. Wong and R. H. Wong 21-2

L. A. Carvalho and A. M. Silva (Recreio "A") beat Weill and Bliss 21-4

beat Fincher and Kew 21-2

beat Wong and Wong 21-6

H. A. Alves and H. A. Barros (Recreio "A") beat Weill and Bliss 21-6

lost to Fincher and Kew 21-2

beat Wong and Wong 21-7

LEAGUE TABLE TO DATE

P W L F Pts

Eliot Hall "A" 20 19 1 123 15 38

Recreio "A" 20 19 1 123 25 38

St. Andrew's "A" 22 16 6 113 84 32

C. R. C. 21 16 5 117 48 32

Eliot Hall "B" 18 13 5 90 45 26

Recreio "B" 18 12 6 80 55 24

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CIVILIAN SOCCER "DERRY"
TO-DAY'S CLASSIC

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China will have the services of several Olympic players, among whom are Yeung Shui-yick, Pau Ka-ping, Cheuk Shek-kam, and Chua Boon Lay, while the Police will probably be at full strength with Moss back on the left-wing and Chris Pile at left-back.

The "tit-bit" of this afternoon's programme, however, is the Civilian "Derby" encounter between Kowloon and the Club. The latter have been forced to make several changes and the inclusion of Fleming, a promising newcomer, at inside-left, in support of Bickford, will be eagerly looked forward to.

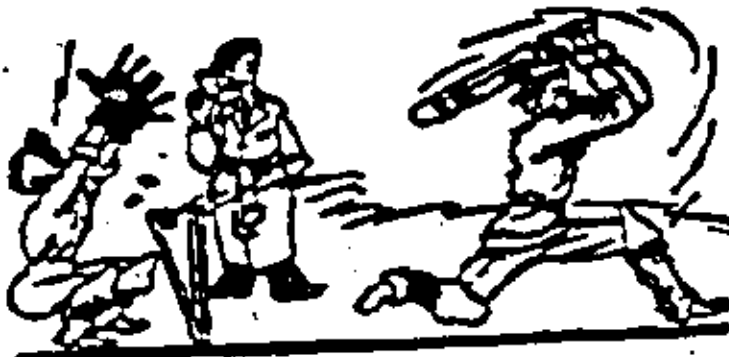
Nicholls Injured

Robertson will be seen at right-back, partnered by Syd Strange,

WRESTLING OFFER TO MAX
BAER"Man Mountain" Dean As
His Opponent

Los Angeles, April 9. Lou Daro, a Los Angeles sports promoter, announced to-day that he was attempting to sign Max Baer, former world's heavyweight boxing champion, for a mixed boxing and wrestling bout with "Man Mountain" Dean, leading heavyweight wrestling contender. Daro was reported to be offering Baer a large purse to take on the match.

Baer was once said to be contemplating the wrestling field as a regular contender, but apparently changed his mind. Rumours of his "come-back" to the boxing ring have been increasing lately, but the mixed bout proposal was a new development. In previous mixed bouts the boxer has usually been easily mastered by the wrestler.—United Press.

K.C.C. TO PLAY
THE RESTTO-DAY'S CRICKET
MATCH

The cricket season will be officially brought to a close to-day when the Kowloon Cricket Club, premier League champions, meet the Rest of the League at King's Park in a game which should produce some very good cricket, despite the "end of the season feeling."

The winners of the Second Division, Indian Recreation Club, have not yet arranged their match with the Rest, but it is thought that this may take place next Saturday.

The teams for to-day's game at the K.C.C., commencing at 2 p.m., are as follows:—

The Rest:—Lt. M. K. Branwell, R.N., W. H. Colledge, Lt. C. C. Garthwaite, A. W. Hayward, A. T. Lee, A. H. Madar, F. D. Pereira, Capt. D. W. Perse, A. E. Perry, Lt. Prowse, R.N., and J. E. Richardson.

K.C.C.:—F. Goodwin (Capt.), E. C. Fincher, E. F. Fincher, A. T. Lay, E. Lee, N. A. E. Mackay, S. V. Gittins, W. C. Hung, A. W. Ramsay, H. B. Neve and W. L. Mackenzie.

Nicholls being on the injured list.

In their last encounter the Club won a thrilling match by the odd goal in five on the Club ground, and this afternoon's clash is likely to produce an even more exciting struggle on the Kowloon ground.

The Rifles, who drew with South China "A" yesterday evening, entertain the strengthened Athletic team at Sookumpoo, where a keen struggle should take place. The Chinese will have the services of several All-China world Olympic players, including Suen Kam-shun, their best forward, who secured the "hat-trick" against the United Services last Thursday afternoon.

In the two other premier League matches, the Fusiliers and East Lancs, should beat Stonecutters and Lyemun respectively.

Kotewall Cup Final

There are four Second Division games down for decision, the best of which is the clash between the Club and Fusiliers at the Valley.

In addition to the two Olympic exhibition games to-morrow, the Army, the holders, will meet the Navy in the deciding match of the Kotewall Charity Cup series on the Sookumpoo ground.

The following is Rover's forecast:—

New York To Petition
For World Olympic Games

New York, April 11.—A movement to hold the 1940 Olympic Games in New York city in conjunction with the world's fair has been started by the board of governors of the Downtown Athletic Club, prominent sporting organization.

G. Gilson Terriberry, at a four years hence, with Italy and Finland also in the field.—United Press.

CUNNINGHAM
RUNS A FREAK
MILE RACETRIUMPH IN TRACK
STRATEGYGENE VENZKE AND JOE
MANGAN LOSE COLUMBIA
MILE

New York, March 15.

In a race that was a travesty on the stop-watch but a triumph in strategy, Glenn Cunningham, world record holder, defeated his two rivals, Gene Venzke and Joe Mangan, and won the Columbia Mile, feature event of yesterday's Knights of Columbus indoor games in Madison Square Garden.

It was Cunningham's first victory on the Garden track this season. His time, 4.46.8, testifies to the remarkable character of the race.

While an overflowing crowd of 16,000 fans booed, clapped, or jeered, America's three great milers simply jogged round the board track for nearly nine of the eleven laps.

Reversed Strategy

Cunningham, completely-reversing all his previous strategy, absolutely refused to take his customary place in front or make the slightest attempt to set the pace, while Mangan and Venzke, running first and second, merely loafed along waiting for the Kansan to make his move.

On the ninth lap Glenn spurred, outfought Venzke for the leading position, and outran both rivals throughout the last two laps, sprinting across the finishing line three yards ahead of Venzke and four ahead of Mangan.

Strongly Resented

The tactics of the runners were resented strongly by the crowd, the slowness of the race soon showed that there was not the slightest chance of a new world record being set.

Cunningham's time was the slowest he had ever turned in, but, to add to the freakishness of the contest, the last quarter of the race, in which Cunningham made his bid for victory, was the fastest quarter ever recorded in a mile race. It was covered in 55.8.

SOUTH CHINA "A" VIRTUALLY
WIN SOCCER HONOURS

(Continued from Page 4)

The Rifles commenced very promisingly, but the inability of their wingers to make full use of their openings was the main cause of their sharing the points instead of winning the game.

Irwin, on the right-wing, sent across several brilliant centres, but with the line at his mercy on two occasions he either miskicked, or sent the ball behind.

Missed "Set"

Moore was guilty of missing a wonderful opportunity of sending his team ahead, when, through overzealousness, he completely missed the ball while running diagonally towards the Chinese goal and with only the goal-keeper to beat!

The soldiers were good in defence and it was a pleasure to see Pickering clear first-time and use his head to advantage in several dangerous melees.

Stevens was actually the pick of the two full-backs, keeping a very watchful eye on Tso and Tio. Coyle was the best of the half-backs, cleverly intercepting numerous high passes with his head, while he gave Fung very little rope.

The first half failed to produce a score, the Chinese rarely approaching within shooting range, while the soldiers bungled several openings.

Two Quick Goals

The second half saw the Chinese pressing for a brief spell, during which Ip Pak-wa scored their only goal from a pass from Lee Wai-tong. Not long after Irwin swung a splendid centre across the Chinese goalmouth for Moore to head past Chu for the equaliser.

South China "A"—Chu Shin-hang; Lee Tin-sang and Tam Kong-pak; Leung Wing-chin, Wong Mei-shun and Lee Kwok-wai; Tso Kwai-shing, Tio Hsin-guan, Fung King-cheong, Lee Wai-tong and Ip Pak-wa.

Rifles.—Connor; Pickering and Stevens; McGonigal, Coyle and Ballard; Irwin, Doherty, Moore, Ferguson and Hartigan.

AQUATIC MARKS
FALL AT TOKYO
'VARSITY POOL'REIZO KOIKE IN
FINE FORMONE WORLD AND SIX JAPANESE
SWIMMING MARKS BROKEN

Tokyo, April 11.

One world and six Japanese swimming records were established this afternoon, when Japan's swimmers met at the Tokyo Imperial University pool.

The new world record was set by Reizo Koike who swam the 500-metre breast stroke race in 7 min. 23.8 sec.

Koike also accounted for a Japanese record, when he negotiated 200 metres breast stroke in 2 min. 41 sec.

All Within Mark

His teammates, Tetsuo Hamuro, Masayasu Yamaguchi, and Eisaburo Yanagisawa, followed him in the 500-metre event, all breaking the existing Japanese record. Hamuro's time was 7 min. 39 sec., Yamaguchi was eight-tenths of a second slower, while Yanagisawa swam the distance in 7 min. 45.5 sec.

Other marks set during the meeting included Koike's brilliant 100-metre breast stroke race in 1 min. 12.2 sec.; Negami's 300-metre free style event in 3 min. 31.8 sec.; and Kii-chi Yoshida's mark of 5 min. 23.2 sec. in the 400-metre back stroke.

New Record

Hiroshi Negami covered 400 metres free style in 4 min. 45 sec., which is a new Japanese record for a 25-metre pool.

Yasuhiko Kojima also made a new Japanese record, when he covered 200 metres back stroke in 2 min. 32.6 sec.—Domei.

BROUILLARD'S RING
CAREER OVERSuffering From Injury
To Arm Bones

Boston, March 15.

The ring career of Lou Brouillard, former welterweight and middle-weight champion of the world in American eyes, appears to be over.

Lou, who only recently announced his intention to return to France and try to get another match with Marcel Thil, has been found to be suffering from the same type of arm injury that forced Jack Delaney and other fighters into retirement.

A bone specialist who examined Brouillard's arm diagnosed his complaint as a calloused condition caused by repeated blows on the same spot. Brouillard probably acquired the trouble from blocking blows with his arms.

RIFLE SHOOT

The Hong Kong Rifle Association will hold a spoon shoot on the Stonecutters Range this afternoon, commencing at 2 p.m. The usual King's First Stage conditions will be observed, i.e., one sighting shot and seven to count at 200, 500 and 600 yards. A special launch will leave Queen's Pier at 1.10 p.m., calling at Kowloon, Shamshuipo, etc., en route to Stonecutters.

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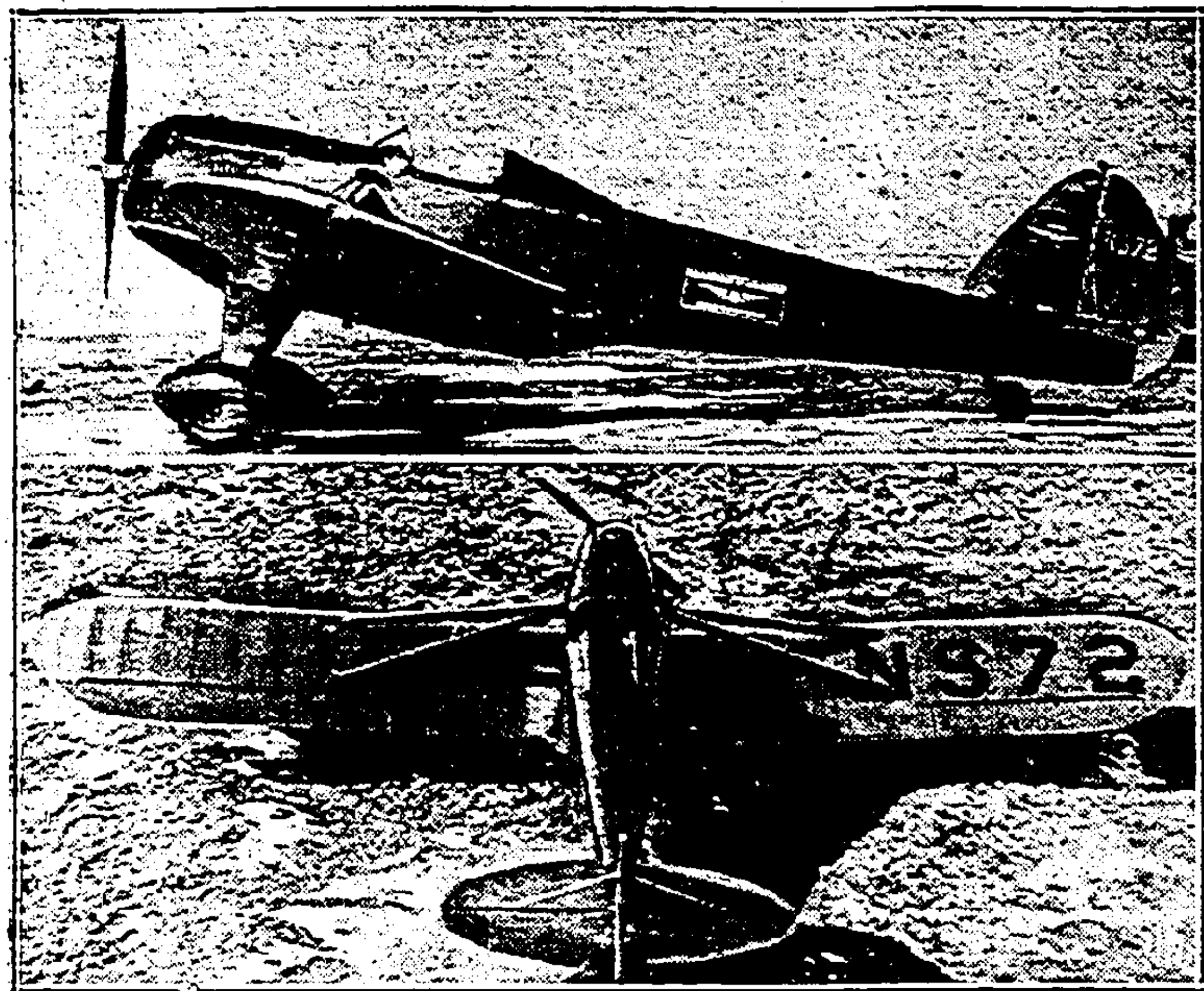
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AIR STRENGTHS ARE COMPARED

FIGURES THAT NEED VERIFICATION
U.S. STATISTICIAN'S ESTIMATES

A United States statistician, Mr. G. A. Wilkins, has collected from official sources in European countries estimates of foreign air-craft strength.

The estimates give first line strength and immediate reserves combined. They are as follows:

1st line and first reserve estimate.	British official estimate.	French official estimate.	U.S. official estimate.	German official estimate.
Great Britain	1,550	1,850	2,800	1,069
United States	2,351	1,890	2,060	3,158
Germany	1,122	1,050	600	—
France	1,665	—	3,600	2,061
Italy	1,189	1,200	2,300	1,053
Japan	1,050	—	1,850	2,050
Russia	2,500	3,400	3,000	3,170

AIR EXPRESS IN THE ARCTIC
Speed Of 220 Miles An Hour

RUSSIA'S BOLD BID

Moscow.

Russia is to attempt the conquest of the Arctic by means of an "express" freight and passenger air liner adaptable for skis or floats and which will have a maximum speed of 220 miles an hour.

The aeroplane, which is being designed in Moscow, will be able to carry up to three tons of cargo across the Arctic to isolated parts and will have ample room for 10 passengers.

It will be fitted with skis during the winter and with floats during the summer so that it will be suited to work in the north throughout the year.

The "air-express" will be an all-metal monoplane.

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The White Paper on Defence, recently published, called attention to the misleading character of First Line comparisons. Here, however, is the latest British official version:

FIRST-LINE AIRCRAFT

Great Britain (approx.)	1,020
U.S.A.	1,800
Germany	700
France	1,670
Italy	1,850
Japan	1,420
Russia	1,500

The figure for Germany represents aircraft organised in squadrons. Germany is building aircraft rapidly, but exact figures of first-line strength and of squadron organisation are not available.

Fantastic Estimates

Many fantastic estimates are published. Thus, "Volkebund," the organ of the German League of National Association, credits France with 6,000 modern aircraft "ready for action!"

First-line strength, without reference to reserves and to training and manufacturing resources, is meaningless. It has been estimated that the war wastage of aircraft of the fighter class would be 100 per cent. per month, and that of other types 60 per cent. per month.

Britain's First Line

Many estimates compare first-line strength of one Power with the first line plus reserves of other Powers.

Under the accelerated expansion scheme the Royal Air Force will have first line aircraft as follows: 1,750 Home, 430 Overseas, and about 350 Fleet Air Arm.

It is a common practice to take a new experimental high-performance foreign aeroplane and compare it with the performance of standard Royal Air Force equipment, overlooking the fact that it may take a couple of years to equip the foreign air force with the new type, and overlooking the fact that new British types in the same class, and of equal or superior performance, are at the same period under test.

CAPE FLIGHT IN BABY AEROPLANE

Mr. H. L. Brook, who holds the Australia-England solo flight record, intends to fly to the Cape and back shortly in a new type of baby aeroplane.

The machine he has chosen is a Hillson-Praga two-seater cabin monoplane, with a 40 h.p. engine. It cruises at 80 m.p.h. and has a low landing speed of about 35 m.p.h.

SKELETONS IN STEEL

3,000 Men Building 29 Flying Boats

IMMENSE ENGINEERING UNDERTAKING

Rochester.

Skeletons in stainless steel and duralumin of great hulls, enormous wings, tails, fins and ailerons, fill the shops here of the aeroplane works of Short Brothers, in which the 29 new Empire flying boats are being built.

More than 3,000 workmen are engaged, some on and in the hulls, and others feeding gigantic machine tools with strips and bars of metal. These emerge in multitudinous but ordered shapes.

Already a row of hulls take shape. All of them save two or three are still in skeleton form. 6,300 Drawings

Design was only begun nine months ago and 6,300 working drawings for this new type of flying boat are already in use. Others are in preparation as the work proceeds. Each boat is to weigh 17½ tons fully loaded.

The scene suggests a great ship like the Queen Mary in the building. Actually there is nothing to compare with this in engineering undertaking.

Air Raid Precautions
In England Cost £501,000

The Home Office expects that the expenditure of its Air Raid Precautions Department will increase by more than 500 per cent.—from £92,000 last year to £501,250 for 1936.

This is shown in the civil estimates relating to the Home Department of Law and Justice published recently.

The greater part of the increase is represented by the accumulation in stock of anti-gas equipment and materials at an estimated cost of £390,000.

Provision is also made for a civilian anti-gas school, the salaries and incidental expenses of which are put at £8,100, of which £6,100 represents salaries.

IMPERIAL AIRWAY'S
"C" CLASS PLANES
PROMENADE CABIN AND SMOKING ROOM

28 NEW SHIPS UNDER CONSTRUCTION

THAT air transport is rapidly emerging from its chrysalis stage to take its part in the transport problems of the Empire's ever-important commerce and trade is once again emphasised in the recent announcement of Imperial Airways, that their new fleet at present under construction, comprising 28 flying ships, will be known as the "C" Class.

The nomenclature of the new fleet is drawn from a widely selected field, and the imposing names chosen bid fair to rival those of any of the great Shipping lines. The names are:—

Caledonia	Capella	Cavalier	Ceres
Cambria	Canopus	Corsair	Clio
Cairngorm	Castor	Courier	Circe
Cotswold	Cassiopeia	Challenger	Calypso
Cheviot	Centaurus	Centurion	Camilla
Coolin	Cygnus	Coriolanus	Corinna
Calpe	Capricornus	Calpurnia	Cordelia

AVIATION IN SCHOOLS

Special Courses In Australia

NATION MUST BECOME "AIR MINDED"

Sydney.

The latest development in the public education system here has for its objective the establishment of a special course in aviation in all high schools. A complementary part of the plan is to increase greatly the efficiency and scope of the advanced instruction in aircraft design and construction at the technical colleges, and to set up a diploma course in air navigation.

The Minister of Education, D. H. Drummond, who is co-operating with the Federal Government with this end in view, says that it is essential that Australians should be "air-minded." His view is that aviation is vital to the defence of Australia's long coastline, to the minimising of the great distances between capital cities, and to the development of the interior.

Specialised Training

So, he says, it is of front-rank importance to provide boys with at least an introduction to the fundamentals of aerial dynamics. This would be the purpose of the high schools' course. Those especially adapted to the subject would then proceed to the technical college for specialised training to become an aviator, aircraft engineer, mechanic, or designer.

The plan is that Federal Government should subsidise courses of this kind in all States, and should assist also by lending members of the Air Force personnel to act as lecturers and instructors.

Mr. Drummond says that he considers instruction in "air-mindedness" is far preferable to instruction in motor driving.

These 28 flying ships, together with 12 land planes, also under construction, involve a capital outlay running well into seven figures; the combined order for which is undoubtedly the largest ever placed at any one time in this rapidly developing era of commercial air transport.

The ships are designed for the "all letter mail by air-mail" project, which, in the future, is to be a dominant feature in the speeding up of Empire communications. When the main trunk Empire air routes are completely organised for night flying it is expected that England/Australia will be only 7 days apart and England/Singapore 4½ days, as compared with approximately the same number of weeks by surface transport.

The interior design of these giant flying ships provides for a Captain's bridge, sleeping cabins, promenade cabins and a cosy smoking room, apart from holds for baggage and freight and adequate toilet arrangements.

Soon the maiden voyage of that great ship the Queen Mary will be hailed, and soon afterwards, the first of Britain's new flying ships will leave the slipway at Rochester to become water-borne preparatory to delivery to Imperial Airways for acceptance trials. Thereafter, at short intervals, sister flying ships already laid down will be completed, and will join the main line fleet of the Empire air line.

BALLOON CLIMBS 132,625 FEET

Record Claimed In Russia

Moscow.

A radio balloon released by the Borispol Aerological Observatory, near Kiev, has ascended 132,625ft. in 68min. This is claimed to be a record height.

When the ascent began the temperature near the surface of the ground was 7deg. C. below zero; 12min. later, at a height of 33,150ft., the balloon reached the stratosphere, where the temperature was 53deg. C. below zero.

At a height of 132,625ft. the temperature was 43deg. C. below zero. The air pressure at that altitude was 500 times lower than at the surface of the earth.

Signals from the radio balloon were heard throughout the ascent.

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China's Communications—Railways, Roads, Post Office, Telegraphs, Wirelans, Telephones and Aviation—are very fully dealt with.

Father D'Elia, in the Chapter on Religions, contributes an interesting Chronological Review of Catholic Missions in China.

Mr. E. Kann is again responsible for the Chapter on Currency and Banking, and the Loan Tables.

A new feature is a Chapter on China's Modern Industries.

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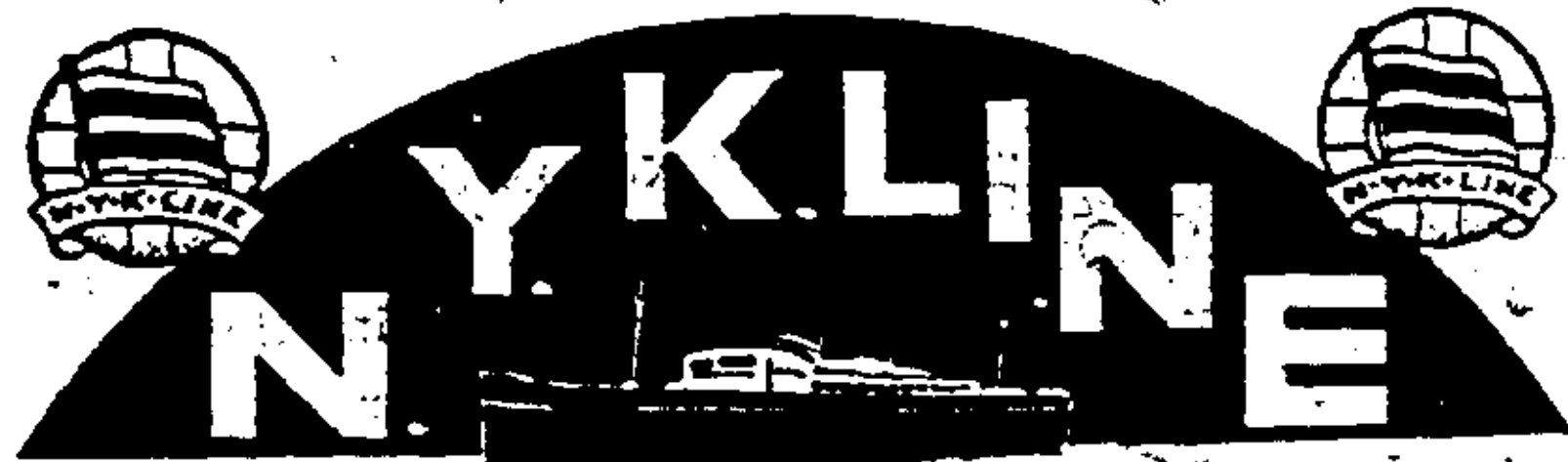
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12.30 p.m.—The Berlin State Opera Orchestra

1 p.m.—Local: Time Signal and Weather Report

1.05 p.m.—Vocal Items from Light Opera and Musical Comedy

1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press Bulletins, Rugby Press News, Local: Weather Forecast, Time and Announcements

1.40 p.m.—Dance Music

2.15 p.m.—Close Down

4.7 p.m.—Chinese Programme

6.30 p.m.—Chinese Dance Music

7 p.m.—12 midnight—European Programme

7 p.m.—Light Opera Selections

The Land of Smiles (Lehar)

The Beggar Student (Millocker)

Chu Chin Chow (Norton)

7.25 p.m.—The Four Bright Sparks

Nasty Man ("George White's Scandals")

The Grasshopper and the Ants

Give me liberty, or give me love

Melody in Spring

7.35 p.m.—The J.H. Squire Celeste Octet

Humoresque—Paraphrase for Strings only (Dvorak)

Traumerei—For Strings only (Schumann)

Good Company Medley (arr. Willoughby)

Salut d'Amour (Elgar)

Barcarole—"Tales of Hoffmann" (Offenbach)

8 p.m.—Local: Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements

8.03 p.m.—Renata at the Piano

1. Glamorous Night—Waltz Medley

2. Zing! went the Strings of my heart

3. Sweet Adeline—Medley

4. Two for Tonight—Medley

9.22 p.m.—A Variety Concert

Organ Solo—

My Song goes round the World

Frederic Bayco

Song—

Moon for Sale

Robert Ashley (Tenor)

Instrumental—

Sweet Sue, just you

Nat Gonella and his Trumpet

Songs—

Don't you ever fall in love

Rags

Aileen Stanley

Vocal—

Sleepy Head

The Mills Brothers

Humorous—

Digging Holes

Flanagan and Allen

Organ Solos—

Parade of Parades

Quentin M. Maclean

Vocal—

When that harvest moon is shining

The Hill Billies

Instrumental—

Sweet Hawaiian Dream Girl

Underneath Blue Hawaiian Skies

The Hawaiian Marimbas Players

Songs—

Kiss me goodnight

Anna Neagle (Soprano)

Band—

Ballroom Memories

9.15 p.m.—Military Band Music

A Princess of Kensington—Selection (German)

El Abanico—March (arr. Hume)

Under the Banner of Victory—March (Von Blon)

9.30 p.m.—A Relay of the Daventry News Bulletin (Copyright by Reuter)

9.45 p.m.—A Relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Dance Orchestra

10 p.m.—Big Ben from Daventry

12 midnight—Close Down

Note:—There will be a Chinese recorded Programme from Z.E.K. on a frequency of 640 kilocycles from 8-10.30 p.m.

ARMY DESERTER CAUGHT

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Blair told the police that he had stowed away on the General Sherman early Wednesday morning when no one happened to be looking. Asked what he expected to do on the Sherman, he declared that he hoped to get to the United States where he thought he could find some sort of work, either as a policeman or as an ordinary labourer. He had heard a great deal about America, he said, and wanted to find out what the country was like.

Tired Of It
He explained that he has been in the British Army since 1932 and was getting tired of it. Asked if he had any money, he answered in the negative. He usually spent all the money he drew in pay as fast as he got it, he said.

When arrested, he was wearing a blue serge suit. Asked how he happened to get the civilian clothes, he said he bought them at a second-hand shop in Hong Kong. He left his uniforms in his barracks, he declared, for he didn't want anything around him to remind him of army life.

However, he seemed cheerful enough, even though confronted with the gloomy prospect of being returned to the military authorities to face a charge of desertion. —China Press.

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"Looks like some cove has rubbed his fingers down the door," said Tommy. "The powder brings up the marks plain as daylight; the thin streak on the left is the little finger."

"What about the others? Remember he had his hand flat on the door," demanded Hawke.

"Gosh, I get you, sir!" cried Tommy. "They were made by a man with the middle finger of his left hand missing; that accounts for the space between these two lines."

"Splendid!" smiled Dixon Hawke approvingly. "He wore rubber gloves, but they were smeared with oil. Evidently he had an accident, a few drops were spilled on the carpet, and some on the door; the latter he wiped off, and signed his death warrant at the same time. Well, young'un, our crook is a very tall, exceptionally powerful, experienced cracksmen and jewel thief, with the middle finger of his left hand missing. Know him, lad?"

"Bet your life, guv'nor!" replied Tommy promptly. "If that description don't fit Three-Fingered Jake I'll eat my tile."

Thus, in that short space of time, the famous detective and his boy assistant had solved the riddle of the library.

"Good luck to you, sir!" said the old soldier, as he opened the front door. "I know as how you'll catch the man."

"Trust the boss," grinned Tommy, following Hawke into their car, standing at the kerb.

They slipped out of Eltham towards Lewisham, and Tommy guessed that they were making for Scotland Yard. Twenty minutes later they drew up before the home of the world's finest police force.

Dixon Hawke jumped out.

"Hang on a few minutes, lad," he directed. "I'm going in to have a talk with Ford."

Everyone at the Yard knew the famous detective, and it was a matter of minutes only before he was being shown into the bare, bleak room occupied by the detective inspector.

Ford grinned broadly when Hawke explained his mission.

"You're up a gum tree this time, old fella-me-lad," he said. "It's the plainest case of suicide I've ever seen. Anyway, Three-Fingered Jake was reported to be in Liverpool on Tuesday, so it ain't very likely that he did that little job. No, Hawke, you got hold of the wrong end of the stick."

In vain did the Dover Street man try to make the inspector see reason. Smiling to himself, Hawke wished Ford "good-day," and came out to Tommy.

"Ford says we're up a gum tree, young'un," he said, as he pressed the self-starter, and the big car slid into easy motion.

"Ford's a big stiff," commented the youngster. "Watch out he don't try and double-cross us now you've been and put him wise to things."

As soon as they reached Dover Street, Hawke turned the car over to Tommy to garage, and went quickly to his consulting-room.

Taking up the telephone, he called a number, and for a matter of five minutes he talked rapidly to the man at the other end of the wire.

The great detective employed many agents in the underworld, but none had a name, only a number. By their aid and the secret information they were able to send over the wire, he had often been able to pull off some smart capture, which left the official police goggling with rage and astonishment.

He was giving instruction now to R 30 M, one of his most reliable agents.

"You understand all I've said, R 30 M?" concluded Hawke.

"Sure," came back the reply, and the detective hung up the receiver.

But it was nearly eight o'clock that night before any news came through. The telephone rang, and Hawke answered.

"Hullo, is that Dixon Hawke?" said the voice.

"Speaking!"

"R 30 M this end, sir."

"Yes, what luck?" demanded Hawke.

"I saw T. F. J. in the Causeway, and tailed him up to a drive in Merton Lane, at the back of Hackett's timber yard. He went in carrying a suitcase, but he ain't come out yet."

"Good!" snapped Hawke. "Get back again. We'll be along as soon as possible."

Dixon Hawke looked thoughtful as he turned to Tommy.

"Oldest togs, young'un," he said. "Get moving, we've no time to spare."

Ten minutes later a couple of

real rough-looking customers came out of the back entrance of Dover Street, and walked rapidly along in the gathering gloom. Nobody would have recognised them as the world-famous sleuth and his boy assistant.

Boarding a bus bound east, they went on top, where Hawke produced a filthy old clay pipe and commenced to smoke black shag as if he enjoyed it. If he was in dis-

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CHRISTIAN SCIENCE LESSON SERMON

Subject: "Doctrine Of Atonement"

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The Golden Text will be: "The preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God." (1 Corinthians 1:18).

Among others, the following citations from the Bible will be read: "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation: (11 Cor. 5:17,18).

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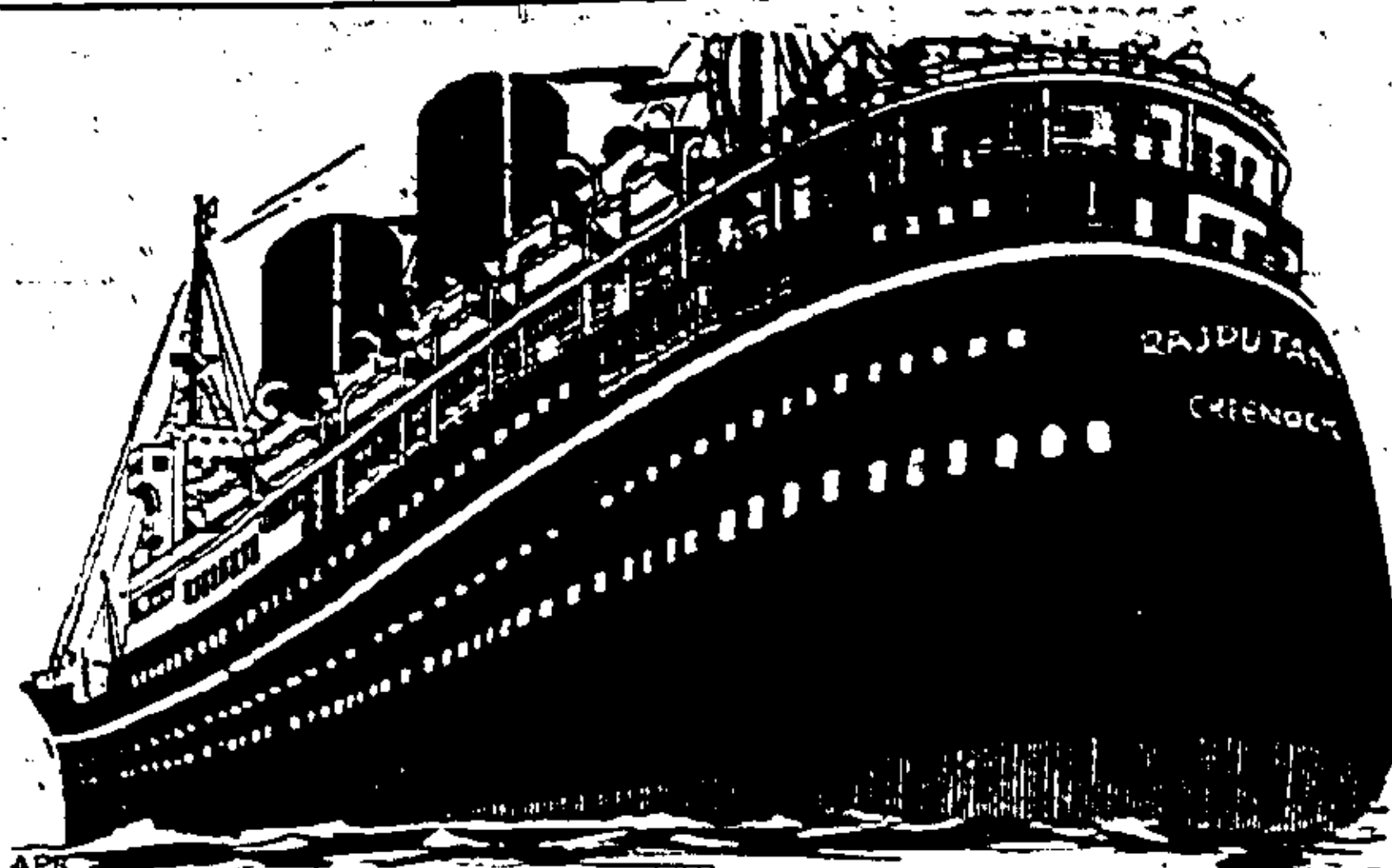
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guise, he believed in doing the job properly, and many a time he had proved the value of the little finishing touches which made a disguise perfect.

They alighted at a place some distance from their destination, and walked the rest of the way through the dismal, dirty streets, made worse by the fog drifting in from the river. At the corner of Merton Lane a figure slouched past them, and Hawke stopped.

"Got a light, boss?" he asked, holding up the old clay pipe.

R 30 M—for that was who the man was—stopped, too, and gave the secret countersign which Hawke immediately returned.

"By gum, sir, I'd never have recognised you," murmured the agent. "Well, I've been hanging on, but up to the moment he hasn't come out."

"He's slipped you," snapped Hawke. "You've seen nobody at all."

"Yes," admitted R 30 M, "a big fellow came from Hackett's yard about twenty minutes ago, but if that was him, I'm getting blind."

"Him?" mused Hawke. "How was he dressed?"

"Very swell."

"Right, that'll do," R 30 M, said Hawke. "You can go. If I want you, I'll phone."

When the agent had slouched off into the fog Hawke said to Tommy:—

"That was Three-Fingered Jake to let slip. Somehow, the fellow got out of the place without R 30 M spotting him. Our bird has flown, but we might as well have a look at his hang-out."

The house they were after stood at the back of the timber yard, and was in total darkness. At one time it had been the manager's residence, but now it was in a fearful state of repair. Considering the thickly-populated area in which it stood, it was curiously isolated.

"Easy does it, young 'un," whispered Dixon Hawke, as they stole into the bit of waste ground which had once been a nice garden. Silently they approached the door, which they found to be locked.

Tommy produced skeleton keys, but the door was bolted from the inside.

"Take too long to open that," murmured Hawke. "There's a window at the side which ought to be a simple matter."

But it wasn't such a simple job, after all, and several attempts to slide the catch having failed, the detective opened the bag and took out a square of sticky paper, which he placed against the glass, and then, using a diamond, cut around the edges and lifted out the piece of glass, which stuck to the paper, and was prevented from falling inwards and making a noise.

Carefully he inserted his hand and slid the catch.

Tommy followed him in, and found himself in a narrow stone-floored passage. For fully five minutes they stood stiffly in the darkness listening for some sound to break the uncanny silence, but none came.

Hawke flashed his torch around, revealing a flight of stairs at one end of the passage and a door at the other, evidently leading to some cellars.

He moved cautiously towards the latter, and, to his surprise, found it open.

"Come on, young 'un," he whispered. "We'll explore below stairs first."

Flashing his light forward, Hawke went down the steps to a cellar which smelt old and musty. It was empty, but across the other side another door stood slightly open.

"That's where our friend slipped R 30 M," he said. "That's an underground passage leading to the yard."

Tommy went over, and, pulling open the door, flashed his torch into a low, brick-walled tunnel.

"Gosh, guv'nor, you're right," he exclaimed.

Hawke nodded, and turned to mount the steps again.

"Nothing here, young 'un," he announced. "We'll just have a quick look over the upstairs rooms, though I don't suppose we shall find he has left any traces worth mentioning."

But for once the great criminologist was wrong. Three-Fingered Jake had not suspected that anyone would be on his trail so quickly, and he had been careless.

In the front bedroom they found the suit of clothes he had been wearing when R 30 M had picked him up.

While Hawke was going through the pockets with systematic thoroughness, Tommy did a bit of sleuthing off his own bat.

In the fireplace he discovered

some ashes from burnt papers, most of them were tiny pieces, but one fragment larger than the rest showed traces of writing.

Tommy had not partnered the world's most famous private detective for nothing, and he was pretty soon at work on that piece of paper. Taking out a bottle of gum, he smeared some on a glass plate, and on this he laid the charred paper.

Using an extremely fine spray, he damped it with special vapour, and in a few seconds the fragment had become soft. Then taking out another square of glass, he pressed it tightly down on the other.

The writing now showed up clearly as white marks on the black background.

"Cricket!" he muttered. "It's some sort of shorthand code. Bet the guv'nor'll know what it is."

Dixon Hawke came over at that moment and saw what his assistant had been doing.

"Good lad," he said approvingly, as he studied the mysterious marks. "Do you know what it is?"

"I'm dashed if I do!" exclaimed Tommy. "Looks like a lot of looney shorthand to me."

His boss smiled. "It's the Gernida code written in Yiddish," he explained. "Paper and pencil, young 'un; this may be important."

Tommy produced the required articles, and looked on while the writing was deciphered. Presently he picked up the sheet of paper and read the words aloud.

"Franks at Regal wait arrival of Rood."

"Well, what do you make of it, lad?" asked Hawke, when the youngster put the sheet down again and looked at the detective with a puzzled frown.

"Not a fat lot," confessed Tommy. "Regal is the name of the hotel in the Strand. Somebody is telling him to wait for him there. I don't get the 'franks' nor the 'rood'."

"Ever heard of Rood Levy?" demanded Hawke.

"Gosh! Rood Levy, the Jew fence! Why, of course, guv'nor! This is part of a message to Three-Fingered Jake to meet him at the Regal Hotel."

Hawke nodded. "That's about the size of it, young 'un, and Jake's name for to-night is Mr. Franks. Come on, we can't go to the Regal in these togs, so a quick change is indicated."

They left by the same way as they had entered, but as they were crossing the strip of waste ground Tommy suddenly gripped his guv'nor's arm.

"Something moved over there," he whispered. "Somebody got us taped."

Not by the flicker of an eyelid did Dixon Hawke show surprise, but kept straight on until they were skirting the wall of the timber yard.

At the corner stood the big doors leading in, a place of deep shadows, where it would be impossible for anyone to see him.

"Keep right on, young 'un," he ordered in a whisper, and a second later he had flattened himself against the doors, completely hidden in the darkness.

Tommy's sharp eyes had not played him false, for scarcely had the lad turned the corner before a figure stole out of the garden, and came rapidly after him.

As he arrived opposite the doors Hawke was on him like a flash.

"Put 'em up," he cried, sticking his revolver into the man's ribs.

The fellow staggered back as if he had actually been shot, and his hands streaked skywards.

"It's all right, Mr. Hawke," he whispered unsteadily. "I'm Sergeant Rood, of the Yard."

But Dixon Hawke had recognised him even as he spoke.

"Good evening, sergeant," he said coolly slipping the gun back into his pocket. "Anything I can do for you?"

These C.I.D. men looked uncomfortable, he was a great admirer of the Dover Street detective, and disliked the job he was doing very much.

"Well, sir, it's a fair cop, as you may say. I've been trailing you all the evening."

Hawke smiled sarcastically. "Quite," he snapped. "So Ford set you trailing me in the hope that I would lead you to Three-Fingered Jake, eh?"

"Orders are orders, sir," Rood said. "I can't help doing what I'm told off to do."

"All right, sergeant," smiled Hawke in a friendly manner. "All's fair in love and war."

"Dixon Hawke hurried on, and soon overtook his young assistant."

A few minutes later they boarded a bus to the Mansion House, where they changed for the underground railway and Dover Street.

After changing into posh clothes, they walked down to Charing Cross, where they got a taxi, and drove straight to the Regal, to give the impression that they had just arrived by train.

The lounge was almost deserted at this late hour, but a sleepy clerk was on duty, and booked them a room, registering them as father and son.

Next morning they were early astir.

The clerk was sorting the mail as they passed his office and Hawke skillfully slid an envelope among the others.

It was a coloured envelope, and addressed to Mr. Franks.

Presently the clerk came out and stuck the letters in the rack. Waiting a moment to see that the coast was clear, Hawke walked over and casually picked it out again.

He now knew the number of the room occupied by Mr. Franks, who was Three-Fingered Jake in disguise.

"He's in room 223, sixth floor," he told Tommy.

"You'll find Rood outside there somewhere. Tell him to get assistance, and then come to me," he instructed.

In a few minutes Rood came in, and Hawke told him what to do.

"When Rood Levy comes down you'll catch him with the goods. Not only the Light of Asia, but the Countess of Comber's pearls and Lord Dalmerton's emeralds, too. Let him get out; there must be no scene in the hotel, understand?"

"Very good, sir," saluted the sergeant, hardly able to believe his luck.

Minutes dragged on—twenty, thirty, forty—and Dixon Hawke was beginning to think that something had gone wrong when he noticed the Jew coming down the stairs. He watched him leave the hotel, and then he whispered to Tommy:—

"Come on, lad. Fire escape for you. Keep out of sight."

Tommy nipped out of the sixth floor corridor window, and his guv'nor strolled on to room 223. In response to his knock the door opened, and a huge fellow stood scowling at him.

Three-Fingered Jake's disguise was as near perfect as it could be, but it didn't fool Dixon Hawke. One glance at his ears told him that he had found his man.

"Mr. Franks," he inquired pleasantly.

Three-Fingered Jake nodded, watching him closely.

"I've called on behalf of the Hotel Servants' Widow and Orphan."

"Oh, have you?" snarled Jake, starting to shut the door. "Well, you won't get anything—"

Dixon Hawke acted with the speed of light.

A pair of handcuffs flashed out and snapped over the crook's wrists. With a roar of anger the trapped man leaped back and sprang for the open window.

As his feet touched the iron of the fire escape Tommy Burke sprang from cover and hurled himself at the gigantic crook.

Taken by surprise, Three-Fingered Jake slipped and crashed against the rail with terrific force. Dixon Hawke, dashing across the bedroom, screamed a warning, but too late—the rail bent out, bars snapped off, and next second the two locked in a deadly embrace disappeared over the side.

For fully a minute Hawke stood rooted to the spot, semi-dazed with horror.

No person could fall that terrible distance and live. Then suddenly regaining his normal senses, he dashed out of the room, along the corridor, and down the stairs.

As he gained the fifth floor landing the window opened, and the cheery face of Tommy Burke, pale and scratched, but still grinning, appeared.

Dixon Hawke was too shaken to do more than grip the youngster's hand. He'd been half crazy with fear for Tommy when he saw him go over.

As he looked out of the window, he found how it was that they had not crashed hundreds of feet to certain death. The fifth floor escape was set farther out than the sixth, so that instead of dropping the whole ghastly height, they had fallen on to the next turn of the fire escape, only about twenty feet below, and the crook being underneath had acted as a cushion, breaking Tommy's fall.

Sergeant Rood came tearing up the stairs. When he saw Tommy he blinked as if he had seen a ghost.

"By gosh, boy, ain't you even hurt?" he exclaimed.

"Don't look much like it," grinned Tommy. "But there's a gent lying outside on the fire escape who ain't going to be over-happy when the wakes up."

Dixon Hawke smiled. "Why, my dear sergeant, both those cases had Three-Fingered

Jake written all over them. Levy moment, and it was not long before the limp figure of Three-Fingered Jake was being conveyed to a waiting taxi."

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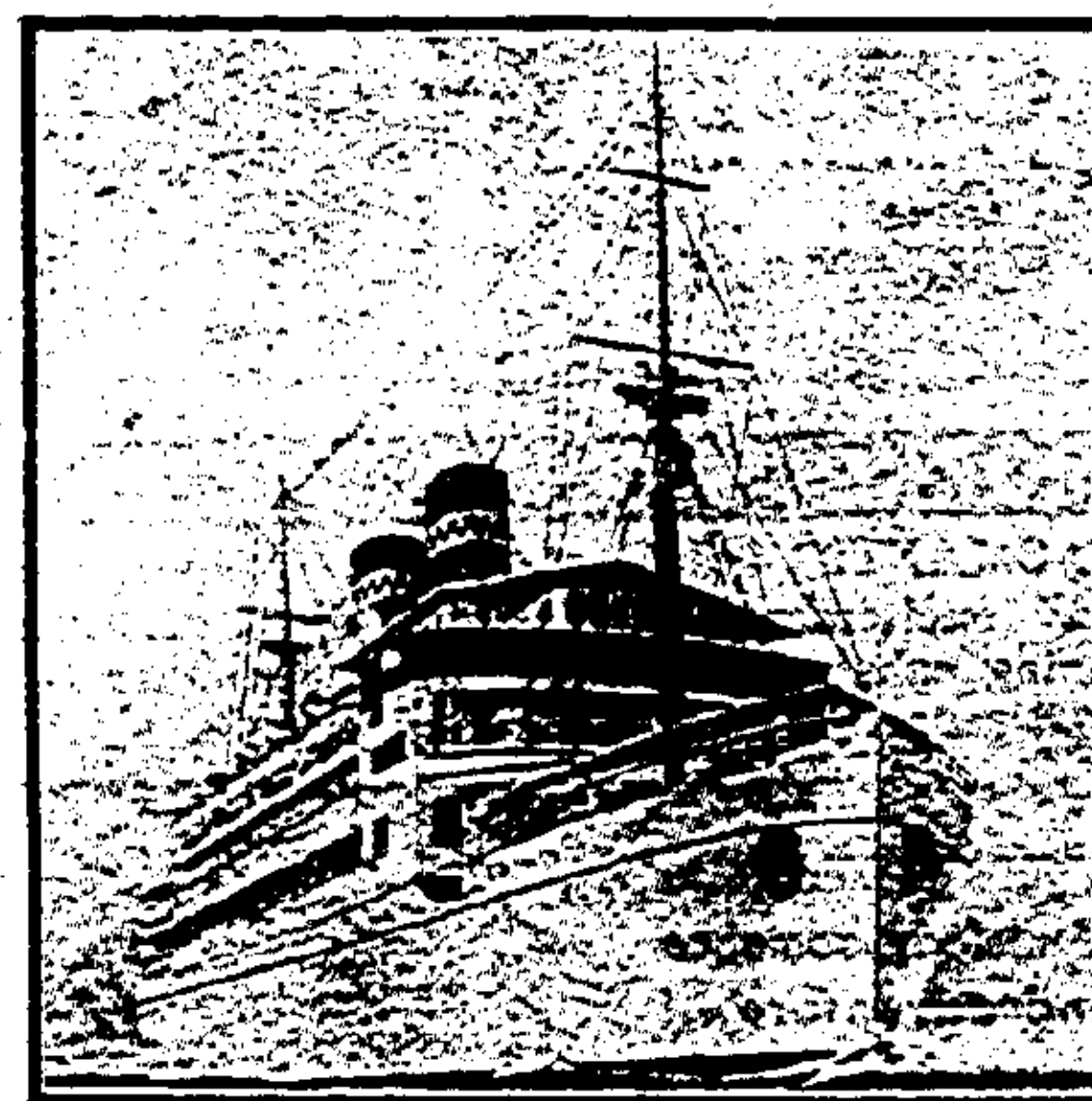
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